

Equal Opportunity



# Deliveries

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Brad Wittrock was the first to speak up and read a letter he had prepared.

Wittrock said he didn't like the fact that Evans had floated the idea before making it board official.

"It puts board members in a spot of agreeing with something we don't support or have egg on our face for creating an issue," Wittrock said.

Wittrock said the feedback he had initially received from school staff members didn't necessarily support the notion of relaxing the rule.

"There are a number of issues with Valentine's Day deliveries explained to me including creating a safety issue for our children with all the people in and out of the buildings, loss of instruction time, the possibility of damaging or breaking gifts resulting in upset parents and kids, spreading staff thin trying to oversee this effort, and the staff would have to deal with any fallout (social/emotional impact) pertaining to some kids that did not receive anything," Wittrock went on to say.

"I completely understand the desire to support local business. I would love to send my kids a gift to brighten their day, but not at the expense of other children who may not have anyone or their parents may be in a position that this is not an option. As such, I intend to still support the local business by having a gift for them when they get home. Every person would still have this option."

Board President Mike Copeland was on the board when the move was made to stop the deliveries several years ago.

"There was a reason we canceled it and there still is a reason," Copeland said. "In my mind, even though I support the local businesses just like everybody else, I'm more concerned about the kids who don't get something on Valentine's Day than I am about the kids who get something on Valentine's Day."

"So while I don't agree with everything Brad said, I do agree that I don't think that we need to open it because it really, it falls on those five back there (the district's principals at the back of the room) and the

support staff on trying to do it."

Bill Reit also said the social impact would outweigh the positives.

"I've spoken to some teachers, some staff members, and they say, you should see the looks on those kids' faces," he said in regards to children who don't receive anything.

"It's no fault of the parent if they can't afford it," adding that teachers have told him they're the ones who usually have to deal with the upset children."

Discussion lasted for several minutes on the subject. Once it ended, no board member made a motion one way or another on the agenda item.

After the meeting, Evans told the KT FP that he respected the issues brought up by the board and also understood the issue with the early messaging to the community.

"There should have been nothing sent to the chamber of commerce about this matter until after a vote occurred," he said.

# OBITUARY

## Maureen Kordis

Maureen Seay Kordis of Kingfisher went to heaven to be with the Lord Jesus on Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2026.

Maureen was born in Ardmore on Nov. 18, 1935, to Navy Captain Lon and Maurine (Seay) Johnson.

At the age of 6 on Dec. 7, 1941, she lived near the Pearl Harbor Naval Base when it was attacked by Japan.

Maureen had positive memories of the many places she lived growing up.

She spent time in Cody, Wyo., with her maternal grandparents.

She graduated from Guthrie High School in 1953.

She earned an associate's degree and worked as a secretary at the Noble Institute and later at Tinker Air Force Base.

Maureen met Herbert Kordis at a Tall Club dance. It was love at first sight.

They were married Aug. 24, 1968, and established a home near Cashion.

Together they worked on the farm and raised two children.

She always loved animals, especially horses and dogs. Her hobbies included sewing, gardening and



reading.

Maureen was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Charles Johnson; her sister, Florence Turner; and her nanny and longtime family friend, Effie Heil.

She is survived by her husband Herb; daughter, Kim DeGust and husband Robert; son, Michael Kordis and wife Kendra; grandsons Stephen Hurlbut and wife Silvia, David Hurlbut and numerous nieces and nephews.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12, at the Cashion Christian Church followed by burial at Kingfisher Cemetery under the direction of Sanders Funeral Service.

# WEATHER NEWS

(As recorded by Local Weather Observer Steven Loftis in Kingfisher.)

Date	Hi	Lo	Rain
Jan. 3	69	31	
Jan. 4	53	34	
Jan. 5	56	32	
Jan. 6	76	45	
Jan. 7	70	39	
Jan. 8	74	34	0.85
Jan. 9	71	43	0.06
<b>Rainfall</b>			
January 2025 rainfall.....	0.53		
January 2026 rain to date..	0.91		
February 2025 rainfall.....	0.00		
February 2024 rainfall.....	0.53		
March 2024 rainfall .....	2.53		
March 2025 rainfall .....	2.23		
April 2024 rainfall .....	4.45		
April 2025 rainfall .....	8.22		
May 2024 rainfall .....	5.14		
May 2025 rainfall .....	5.53		
June 2024 rainfall .....	0.78		
June 2025 rainfall .....	8.84		
July 2024 rainfall .....	6.78		

July 2025 rainfall .....	0.20
August 2024 rainfall .....	3.39
August 2025 rainfall .....	3.84
September 2024 rainfall .....	0.90
Sept. 2025 rainfall .....	0.45
October 2024 rainfall .....	2.20
October 2025 rainfall .....	4.72
November 2024 rainfall .....	9.92
November 2025 rainfall .....	0.55
December 2024 rainfall .....	0.76
December 2025 rainfall .....	0.00
2024 precipitation .....	37.72
2025 precipitation .....	34.63
2026 rain to date .....	0.91
Average annual rainfall....	33.50



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## Legal notice [Continued from Pg. 8]

interest, and estate in and to the oil, gas, and other minerals in, under, and that may be produced from the following described real property in Kingfisher County, Oklahoma:

The East 115 Acres of the Southeast Quarter of Section 19, Township 19 North, Range 7 West, I.M., Kingfisher County, State of Oklahoma,

(the "Property").

AND YOU, the said Defendants, are further notified that unless you answer said Petition for Determination of Heirship and Quiet Title filed by the Plaintiffs and against you on or before **FEBRUARY 11, 2026**, the allegations of Plaintiffs' Petition for Determination of Heirship and Quiet Title will be taken as true, and the Court will enter a judgment and decree (1) determining the Known and Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees, and Assigns of Aletha M. Harris, Deceased, the Known and Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees, and Assigns of Dora Winnifred Harris AKA Dora W. Harris, Deceased, and the Known and Unknown Heirs, Executors, Administrators, Devisees, Trustees, and Assigns of Walter C. Harris, Deceased; (2) quieting title to an undivided right, title, interest, and estate in and to the Property against each of You; and (3) quieting title to an undivided right, title, interest, and estate in and to the Property in and to the Plaintiffs as pleaded in their Petition for Determination of

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WITNESS my hand and seal this 23rd day of December, 2025.  
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By: S/S Amanda Blades  
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# Rain

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in some fields following the early morning showers.

The needed moisture is expected to provide additional growth to wheat, which has been standing still since plants came up shortly after sowing.

New growth will be wel-

come, especially on acreage that is supporting livestock.

Randall Varnell, manager of Wheeler Brothers Elevator in Kingfisher, reported a total of .9 inch at the Kingfisher Elevator and .55 inch at the mega elevator.

"We needed it," Varnell said.

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