WEATHERFORD UPDATES:
BULLDOGS LOOK TO TAME SAVAGE STORM | **A4**



GLAD TO LIVE IN A UNIVERSITY TOWN

Weatherford WDN Daily News

WEEKENDER
SEPTEMBER 19, 2026

REID NEWSAPAPER GROUP I ESTABLISHED 1900



Weatherford public School athletics has partnered with the Weatherford Regional Hospital to raise awareness for breast cancer. They have created six T-shirts available for purchase at WHS CHEER PINKOUT 2026 (66-ink.printavo.com)

WHS team up to raise money for Weatherford Regional Hospital

Community effort supports breast imaging

Liliana Walker
WDN Reporter

Weatherford High School cheer, pom, football and Weatherford Middle School cheer are teaming up for this year's Pink Out fundraiser, with all proceeds from the event's shirt sales going to Weatherford Regional Hospital to support breast imaging services.

Melissa Morgan, president of the cheerleaders' booster club, said the fundraiser will kick off tonight and is designed to keep the money raised within the local community.

"All the proceeds from our sales for our shirts is going to go to the Weatherford Regional Hospital," Morgan said. "So it all stays local, and helps women in our community."

Pink Out events are commonly held during the fall as part of breast cancer awareness efforts, with schools, athletic teams and community organizations using the events to encourage awareness, honor survivors and remember those who have died from the disease.

The tradition of breast cancer awareness events also has a history in Weatherford. Southwestern Oklahoma State University has participated in Pink Out activities, including a 2015 SWOSU event supporting Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

While Pink Out activities can take different forms from year to year, the use of pink at athletic events has become a recognizable way for communities to show support for people affected by breast cancer.

Nationally, Breast Cancer Awareness Month takes place each October. The campaign began as a week-long effort in 1985 before expanding into a month-long awareness campaign. The pink ribbon later became closely associated with breast cancer awareness during the early 1990s.

This year's Weatherford fundraiser has expanded from two shirt designs to six, giving community members more options to show their support.

Morgan said four different groups are working together on the project, making this year's effort a larger community-wide fundraiser.

Weatherford High School cheer captains Blakely Jackson, Izzy Tucker, Mac McKevitt and Reagan Settles also spoke about the importance of Pink Out and what the fundraiser means to the community.

Pink Out is designed to bring awareness to breast cancer while giving back to the local community. The cheer captains said breast cancer has affected nearly everyone in some way, whether through someone fighting the disease, a survivor or someone who has been lost to it.

The fundraiser provides an opportunity for the community to show support for those currently fighting breast cancer, celebrate survivors and remember those who have died.

This year, WHS cheer, pom, football and WMS cheer are joining together to raise money through the fundraiser.

The groups said it has been meaningful to see different parts of the school community come together for an effort that affects so many people locally.

One hundred percent of the proceeds from the Pink Out shirt sales will be donated to Weatherford Regional Hospital to support breast imaging services.

Breast imaging plays an important role in detecting and evaluating changes in breast tissue. Mammography uses low-dose X-rays to create images of the breast and can detect some abnormalities before they cause noticeable symptoms. Mammograms are used both for routine screening and for diagnostic evaluation when a patient or health care provider identifies a concerning change.

The National Cancer Institute states that breast cancer screening can help find cancer at an earlier stage, when it may be easier to treat. Mammography is the standard screening method for most people who undergo breast cancer screening.

For the Pink Out organizers, directing the fundraiser toward breast imaging services gives the money raised a direct connection to health care available in the Weatherford community.

The groups emphasized that the money raised through the fundraiser will remain in the Weatherford community and help support services available to local residents.

Last year, the Pink Out fundraiser raised $2,500. The money helped approximately 35 people, according to the cheer captains.

This year, the groups have set a goal of raising $3,000.

If the goal is reached, this year's fundraiser would bring the total raised through the two years to at least $5,500.

Six different Pink Out shirt designs will be available this year,

• Please see **Pink Out,** Page 6

Reminder: No School Monday

Weatherford Public Schools will be closed Monday, Sept. 21, for parent-teacher conferences. The conferences apply to all schools within the Weatherford Public Schools district and will be from noon to 7 p.m. Monday.

Students will enjoy a four-day weekend, as schools were also closed Friday, Sept. 18, for staff development.

Students will return to school Tuesday, Sept. 22.



8 04879 16495
50¢

SCAN ME
GET THE LATEST NEWS, SPORTS AND MORE
See today's top headlines, local breaking news, area scores, things to do and subscriber exclusives at ReidNewspapers.com

Great to live in a University TOWN

SWOSU's campus reaches beyond Weatherford

Students come from across the map

Liliana Walker
WDN Reporter

Southwestern Oklahoma State University may be located in Weatherford, but its student population reaches far beyond the city limits.

Students attending SWOSU come from communities across western Oklahoma, from other parts of the state and from outside Oklahoma, giving the Weatherford campus a student body that represents much more than the local community.

SWOSU reported 5,194 students enrolled for the fall 2025 semester, including first-time freshmen, concurrent students, transfer students and graduate students.

While the university does not publicly break down its entire current enrollment by hometown, SWOSU's Institutional Research reports provide a look at where students have historically come from.

The university's 2021 Fall Fact Book showed that Custer County was one of the larger sources of students for SWOSU. The county accounted for about 5.3% of resident enrollment that year. Nearby counties also represented significant portions of the student population, including Canadian County at 9.72%, Beckham County at 7.14% and Caddo County at 6.25%.

The numbers show the university's strong connection to western Oklahoma. Communities surrounding Weatherford make up a substantial portion of the student population, but SWOSU also draws students from communities farther across the state.

Statewide, the majority of SWOSU students are Oklahoma residents. Data compiled from federal enrollment information shows that approximately 90% or more of SWOSU's first-time undergraduate students have come from Oklahoma in recent years. One analysis of 2022 enrollment found about 90% of students came from Oklahoma, with Texas accounting for about 6.7% and smaller numbers coming from states including Arkansas, Kansas, Arizona, California, Colorado and Nebraska.

Other enrollment data places the percentage of first-time degree-seeking undergraduates coming from inside Oklahoma at about 96%, with roughly 4% coming from outside the state.

Texas is consistently one of the largest sources of out-of-state students. That is not surprising given SWOSU's location along Interstate 40 and its proximity to the Texas Panhandle.

SWOSU also attracts students from outside the United States. International students make up a smaller portion of the university's overall enrollment, adding another layer of geographic diversity to a campus that is largely made up of Oklahoma students.

The university's 2025-26 Common Data Set, compiled by the SWOSU Office of Institutional Research, and its annual IPEDS reports provide updated enrollment information for the university. SWOSU notes that its IPEDS reports include enrollment information and that residence information for first-time undergraduates is collected as part of the federal reporting process.

For Weatherford, the numbers demonstrate the role SWOSU plays not only as a local university but as a regional institution. Students from



surrounding counties contribute to the university's connection with western Oklahoma, while students from across the state and beyond bring different hometowns and experiences to the campus.

With more than 5,000 students enrolled, SWOSU's student population represents a broad geographic area, even though the university's home remains on the hilltop in Weatherford.

SWOSU™
ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
BE A PART OF BULLDOG ATHLETICS
Your membership supports SWOSU student-athletes.
JOIN TODAY!
SCAN HERE
OR VISIT:
WWW.SWOSUAthleticAssociation.com

Retirement living for the...
NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS
Young at Heart
99%/100% Fed. govt. review above average.
1 Bedroom Apartments • Efficiency & Immobility Apartments • Total Maintenance/ Lawncare
Rental Assistance • Kitchen Appliances
24 hrs On Call • Emergency Pull Cards
Independent Living for Persons
62 Years of Age or Older and/or Disabled
Van Horn Manor
580-772-7414 • Adjacent to Pioneer Center
900 Gartrell Place, Weatherford

Now OPEN For FALL
• Pansies • Mums
• Kale • Shrubs • Grasses
• Halloween Iron • Pottery
• Succulents • Asters
• Hay • Pumpkins & More!
Janie's GARDEN CENTER
801 Gary Blvd. • Clinton
127 S. 8th St. • Weatherford
303 N. Madison • Elk City

Local news

Full-court press play

DJ LiTEBRiTE's journey comes full circle

Jack Lederman
WDN Reporter

When Jalen Dorsey arrived at Southwestern Oklahoma State University in 2011, basketball was supposed to define his college experience.

By the time he left Weatherford, the 6-foot-7 forward had found another way to command a crowd.

Dorsey, now known professionally as DJ LiTEBRiTE, came to SWOSU from Frisco, Texas on an athletic scholarship after helping Frisco Wakeland reach its first Class 4A state championship game. Dorsey appeared in 16 games as a freshman in 2011-12 and another 22 during his sophomore season.

While basketball brought Dorsey to Weatherford, another interest began developing away from the court. As he settled into college life, Dorsey noticed something missing from the social scene around campus.

"I came to SWOSU on a full athletic scholarship and was here as a student-athlete and did my DJing thing," Dorsey said. "As I got acclimated with the campus and started doing what any college kid does and going out and partying and hanging out with friends, I started to see that there was a lack of a DJ in the area."



DJ LiTEBRiTE DJing after set one of the SWOSU versus OBU volleyball match Tuesday, Sept. 15.

Dorsey began filling that role himself in 2011. What started around campus gradually expanded into Weatherford and Clinton as he developed a local following, all while continuing to practice and play basketball at SWOSU.

For several years, the two pursuits existed alongside each other. He had played basketball for about 16 years and had been DJing for only three, yet the newer pursuit was beginning to offer opportunities he could envision lasting beyond college.

"I was just like, I think that this is my fork in the road where I choose one or the other," Dorsey said.



DJ LiTEBRiTE holds the Oklahoma City Thunder's 2025 Larry O'Brien Championship Trophy.

Dorsey chose music and gave up what would have been his final basketball season in 2014-15. Walking away from the sport represented a significant change from the path that had originally brought him from Texas to western Oklahoma, but it did not mean walking away from SWOSU.

"I actually chose DJing over basketball because there were a few opportunities to just really put my feet in the ground and say, OK, maybe I can begin a career as a musician and DJ and build a little following," Dorsey said. "I had the backing of the university and all of my classmates."

Dorsey remained at SWOSU and eventually graduated with a degree in mass communication. After college, he moved into the Oklahoma City market, where opportunities to perform eventually brought him back into the basketball world, this time without a uniform.

Although Dorsey walked away from playing basketball more than a decade ago, the game still found a way to put championship rings on his fingers. Dorsey said he has earned three championship rings while working with basketball organizations. For Dorsey, the championships have provided an unexpected connection between the sport that brought him to Oklahoma and the career he chose while at SWOSU.

His work led to opportunities involving Topgolf and the Paul George Foundation, putting him around people connected to the Oklahoma City Thunder. He continued building those relationships from 2018 through 2021 before an opportunity opened for him to join the Thunder organization as a DJ.

Dorsey now works with both the Oklahoma City Thunder and its NBA G League affiliate, the Oklahoma City Blue. The role has allowed him to combine the sport that brought him to Oklahoma with the career he chose while attending SWOSU.

"Being the basketball guy myself, and just kind of paying attention to the trends, I knew that a lot of my SWOSU alumni, my classmates and a lot of my friends that I made over the years, were in that kind of first generation of Thunder fans," Dorsey said. "So it really felt right to be able to do that."

Dorsey was part of the Blue organization when it captured its first NBA G League championship in 2024, defeating the Maine Celtics in the deciding game of the finals. He also worked with the Potawatomi Fire during their undefeated 2024 championship season.

His connection to Weatherford has continued as his career has grown. Dorsey regularly returns to SWOSU for events and has worked volleyball matches at the university, including during the program's 2024 Great American Conference regular-season championship season.

For Dorsey, returning to Weatherford connects his current work to the place where he first began considering whether DJing could become something more than a college hobby.

"My big thing as a DJ is just making sure that I can stay as rooted and as involved in Oklahoma as I can," Dorsey said. "Whether I'm in Oklahoma City or if I'm here out in Weatherford and I'm DJing for SWOSU women's volleyball team, then I'm doing that."

More than a decade after Dorsey faced the decision between basketball and DJing, the two parts of his life have crossed paths again. Basketball brought him from Frisco to Weatherford as a college freshman, while the relationships and experiences he developed at SWOSU helped provide the foundation for a career behind the turntables.

"I'd been playing basketball for 16 years and DJing for three," Dorsey said of his decision in 2014. "Which one do I think I'm going to do longer? I think I'm going to DJ longer. I want to play music."







WEEKENDER, SEPTEMBER 19, 2026

VOLUME 138 Number 183

Weatherford Daily News (USPS 670940) is published Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday mornings by Weatherford News, Inc., 118 S. Broadway, Weatherford, OK 73096-4924. Periodicals postage is paid at Weatherford, OK 73096. POSTMASTER: Please send address changes, Form 3579, to the Weatherford Daily News, P.O. Box 191, Weatherford, OK 73096.

Weatherford Daily News
WDN

Contact us at
WDN@WDNONLINE.COM
Visit Website
www.reidnewspapers.com
580-772-3301

Phillip R. Reid
• Publisher
Sarah Cook
• Digital Media Director
Liliana Walker
• City Editor
Brooke Blach
• Capitol Correspondent
Alex Roberson
Maritza Hernandez
•Marketing
Lucas Punneo
• Reid Newspapers Deputy Strategist
Teresa Wardell
Jenna Zuniga
Kerri Buller
•Accounting
McKenzie Mayfield
Tatiana Ryland
• Graphic Designer
Mark Bucz
• Production
John Cook
• General Manager

Subscribe

Postal Delivery in Weatherford & Custer County
1 yr. in Advance- $166
6 mo. in Advance- $104

Elsewhere in Oklahoma
1 yr. in Advance- $242
6 mo. in Advance- $170

Outside of OK
1 yr. in Advance- $350
6 mo. in Advance- $264

Subscribe online at
www.wdnonline.com
Office
118 S Broadway, Weatherford, OK 73096
Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
All pages WDN copyright© 2026
All Rights Reserved
24-hour drop box at front door

OKLAHOMA PRESS ASSOCIATION

Local Sports



The SWOSU football team takes the field before kickoff against Harding last Thursday at Flex-Chem Field.

Bulldogs look to tame Savage Storm

Joey Ross
WDN Reporter

Bulldogs look to tame Savage Storm

The Southwestern Oklahoma State University Bulldogs will return home Saturday evening looking for their first victory of the 2026 season when they host the Southeastern Oklahoma State University Savage Storm.

Kickoff is scheduled for 6 p.m. at Flex-Chem Field.

SWOSU enters the matchup 0-2 after opening the season with losses against Arkansas Tech and second-ranked Harding. The Bulldogs will look to turn the early-season struggles around against a Southeastern Oklahoma State team entering the contest with a 1-1 record.

The Bulldogs opened the season Sept. 3 on the road against Arkansas Tech, falling 26-20 after the Wonder Boys scored late to secure the victory.

SWOSU returned home Sept. 11 for its home opener against No. 2 Harding. The Bulldogs fell 37-14, but competed with the Bisons for much of the game.

SWOSU held a lead during the first quarter and remained within two points late in the third quarter before Harding pulled away in the final period. The Bulldogs' defense also forced two turnovers and held Harding to 314 rushing yards, its lowest total against a Great American Conference opponent since 2024.

Now, SWOSU will turn its attention toward Southeastern Oklahoma State.

The Savage Storm opened the season with a 21-12 victory over Arkansas-Monticello before suffering a 23-17 loss to Ouachita Baptist. Southeastern Oklahoma State enters Saturday's game with a 1-1 record and will look to pick up its second victory of the season.

The matchup also features a lengthy history between the two Oklahoma programs.

SWOSU and Southeastern Oklahoma State first met in 1997, with the Bulldogs winning the inaugural matchup 21-11. The programs have continued to meet throughout the years as conference opponents.

SWOSU won the teams' meeting last season, defeating the Savage Storm 35-14. Despite last year's victory, Southeastern Oklahoma State has won four of the previous five meetings between the programs.

The Bulldogs will look to build on last season's win while also ending their current two-game losing streak to begin 2026.

For SWOSU, Saturday's contest represents an important opportunity to establish momentum. The Bulldogs have faced two difficult opponents to begin the season, but will now have a chance to earn their first victory against a Savage Storm team coming off a close loss to Ouachita Baptist.

A victory would move SWOSU to 1-2 on the season and give the Bulldogs some momentum as they continue through the Great American Conference schedule.

Southeastern Oklahoma State, meanwhile, will attempt to improve to 2-1 and leave Weatherford with a conference victory.

With both teams looking to gain momentum, Saturday's matchup should provide another test for the Bulldogs as they continue their 2026 campaign.

Kickoff between SWOSU and Southeastern Oklahoma State is scheduled for 6 p.m. Saturday at Flex-Chem Field.









Religion

Dixie: *Genetically modified Christianity*

Dixie Yoder
WDN Contributor

With the advent of boxed food, nutritional deficiency in the American diet has become a pervasive problem. As someone wryly observed, we would be better off eating the boxes that breakfast cereal comes in, rather than the cereal itself. At least the boxes aren't made of nutritionally deficient sugar and there is the potential of gaining some fiber from the cardboard!

A new problem has arisen as farmland shrinks and the demand for food increases: genetic modification of seeds. The intent is to increase production, but in many cases, the result is something that looks like wheat or corn or other seeds, but is nutritionally different—often lacking in natural food value and more difficult to digest. With it comes increased food allergies. Celiac disease runs rampant, and many Americans suffer from malnutrition and obesity.

This can be compared to an even greater problem in the spiritual arena. As people reach more and more for a feel-good, sugary form of "boxed" religion, they are less and less satisfied. The "GMO" religion being touted as genuine results in rampant "allergies" of agnosticism, atheism, acceptance of sinful behaviors, fear and despair. Christians live defeated, ineffective lives—slowly being affected by spiritual malnutrition—even starvation.

"The time is coming when people will not tolerate sound and wholesome instruction, but, having ears itching for something pleasing and gratifying, they will gather to themselves one teacher after another, chosen to satisfy their own liking and to foster the errors they hold," (2 Timothy 4:3 AMPC). GMO religion avoids words like repentance, discipline and obedience.

"… you have become dull in your spiritual hearing and sluggish—even slothful—in achieving spiritual insight. For even though by this time you ought to be teaching others, you actually need someone to teach you over again the very first principles of God's Word. You have come to need milk, not solid food. For everyone who continues to feed on milk is obviously inexperienced and unskilled in the doctrine of righteousness, for he is a mere infant not able to talk yet! But solid food is for full-grown men, for those whose senses and mental faculties are trained by practice to discriminate and distinguish between what is morally good and noble and what is evil and contrary either to divine or human law."

(Hebrews 5:11-14 AMPC)

Genuine, unmodified spiritual food for grownups cannot be found in one-minute devotional on our phones as we dash off to the next ballgame or exercise class. That's a spiritual Pop-Tart, void of nutrition. Spiritual growth and increased understanding cannot grow in the stagnant—although temporarily comfortable—atmosphere of boxed religion. Paul warned Timothy to watch for those who would mislead spiritually ignorant and weak believers away from Truth:

"For although they hold a form of piety—true religion—they deny and reject and are strangers to the power

• Please see Dixie, Page 7

Spain: *When the problem is bigger than the solution*

Rick Spain
WDN Contributor

There are times you have an ongoing issue that doesn't seem to correct itself. You have prayed and sought the Lord, and it doesn't seem to get any better. Do you just ignore it and hope it gets better? I want to share a few things that I have learned. I think they can help you as well.

1.Look at the big picture. There will always be problems. Some problems linger for undesirable amounts of time. That doesn't mean you are making no progress. Simply indicates an area of life you may be struggling in. Don't forget about where you have been. You have been confronted with issues like this before. Where are you now in light of these past issues? You probably wouldn't even think about this if you didn't consciously go back to these times. The same with your present issue. This too will be in your rearview mirror.

2.You don't deny the issue, but you definitely don't over focus on it either. When you get too close to a problem, it becomes your main focus. Unsolved problems, when they become the focus, create more problems. First in the thought. You think about what you focus upon, even if it is not completely accurate. Denial of the problem does not bring any resolution; too much focus on the problem hinders you from recognizing the solution, even if it is easily in your reach.

3.Recognize the root of the issue. Problems manifest themselves on the surface wearing a mask most of the time. When the recognition goes in fear mode, the root issue is covered by how the problem makes you feel. This is stirred by the response in your brain. The amygdala controls this part of your brain. It is the warning sensor that distributes chemicals of danger alert throughout your body. It is a part of the brain, but it does not have the proper calculating ability that the cerebral part is created for. Therefore, the root is covered up by the chemical response which creates a whole set of other problems.

Dealing with the root requires a setting aside of the emotions and consciously searching for the root cause. This is where the real focus and effort is to be distributed.

4.Get back in the saddle. Ongoing issues will have an effect upon your life. Sometimes it can be like a pesty fly. There is no real concern, but it sure does get your attention. The next level is a flinch response. This comes with a thought, "Here it comes again." This response is typically not a life changer, but it does recognize a pattern. The fourth level challenges the riding skills your saddle is attached to. Experience is the best teacher in these times. You have moved past the pesty fly, recognized your flinch response and realized this is a bigger challenge. Regroup, reset and remember what you have learned.

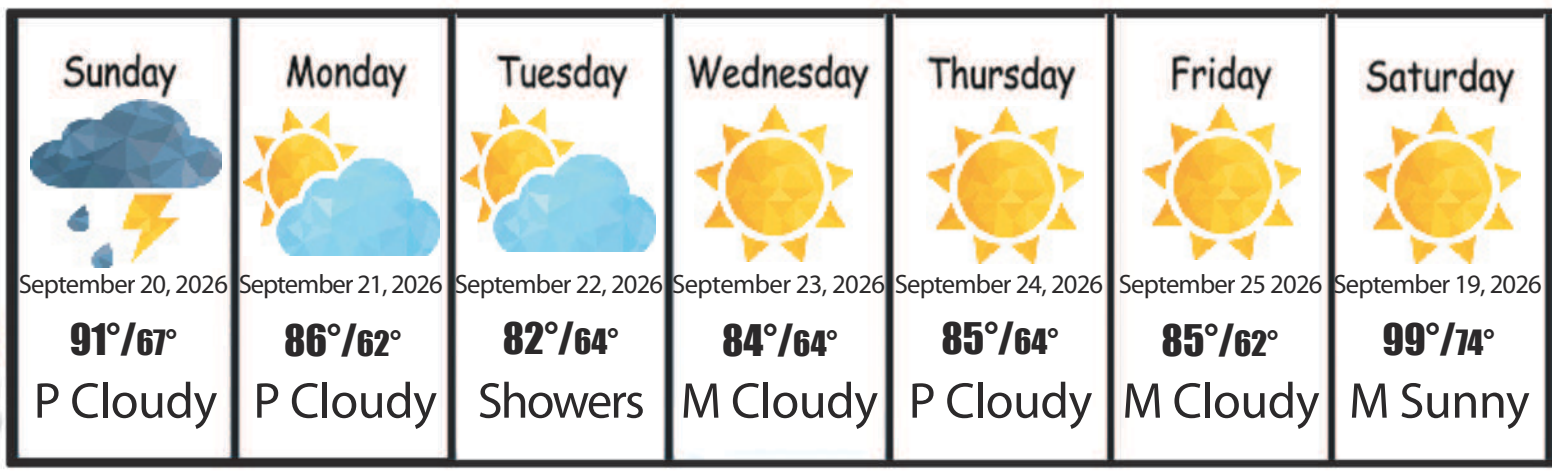
5.Trust God with the outcome. He will never leave or forsake you. When you are reminded of the problem, remind your problem of your God. As you do this, your perspective has the ability to change as well. This helps you to be more in tune with His answers instead of your problem.

This reminds me of a gospel song that went like this: "Bigger than all my problems, bigger than all my fear; my God is bigger than any mountain that I can or cannot see. Bigger than any questions, bigger than anything; my God is bigger than any mountain I can or cannot see."

Don't allow your problems to be your identity. God created you to overcome in every trial. You and He are the majority, every time! What seems to never change will fall at the feet of The One who never changes! You cannot lose unless you quit; don't quit!







County records

Marriages

Smirna Flores Gardea and Antonio Gutiérrez Pérez.

Misdemeanors

State of Oklahoma v. Tracy Lynn Massingill on suspicion of obstructing an officer.

State of Oklahoma v. Matthew Allan Willard on suspicion of threatening to perform an act of violence.

Felonies

State of Oklahoma v. Rosswith Rolan Connor on suspicion of two counts of child sexual abuse.

In custody Friday

Shelbrey Bond was scheduled to appear Friday for the charge of trespassing. A judge will set the bond.

Jonathan Clymer was scheduled to appear Friday for the charge of obstruction. A judge will set the bond.

Terence Wayne Harris was scheduled to appear Friday for the charges of public intoxication and driving a motor vehicle while under the influence. A judge will set the bond.

Christopher Michael Jones was scheduled to appear Friday for the charges of public intoxication, possession of paraphernalia and possession of a controlled dangerous substance. A judge will set the bond.

Jeremiah Alijah West was scheduled to appear Friday for the charges of driving a motor vehicle while under the influence and possession of a controlled dangerous substance. A judge will set the bond.

Out on bond Friday

Tracy Lynn Massingill was scheduled to appear Friday for the charge of obstructing an officer. A judge will set the bond.

Damien Lee Dominquez was scheduled to appear Friday for the charges of driving a motor vehicle while under the influence and unsafe lane use. A judge will set the bond.

Pink Out

• Continued from Page 1

with designs intended to offer options for both boys and girls.

The shirts will go on sale tonight. A donation link will also be available for those who want to contribute to Pink Out but do not want to purchase a shirt.

The groups said purchasing a shirt is not the only way to support the fundraiser, with donations of any size helping them work toward their $3,000 goal and support breast imaging services at Weatherford Regional Hospital.

The effort also gives students an opportunity to take an activity traditionally associated with a football game and turn it into a broader community fundraiser.

"Pink Out is bigger than a football game," the cheer captains said. "It's a chance for a whole community to come together for people that are affected by breast cancer."

The Weatherford High School cheer team will also compete Saturday at Westmoore High School at 4 p.m.

Community members can support the Pink Out fundraiser by purchasing one of the six shirt designs or making a donation through the fundraiser's donation link.

The organizers said the goal is not only to fill the community with pink, but also to use the annual event to support local health care and the people in Weatherford and the surrounding area who have been affected by breast cancer.



From left Blakely Jackson, Izzy Tucker, Mackenzie McKevitt and Reagan Settles speak with the community about Pink Out a day dedicated to breast cancer awareness .

YOUR TRUSTED LOCAL ROOFING COMPANY
G&E ELITE EXTERIORS
ROOFING FOR RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL WITH 24/7 EMERGENCY SERVICE
Rain or shine, wind or hail
WE HAVE YOU COVERED!
• RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL ROOFING
• TPO- METAL-SHINGLE ROOFING
• ROOF REPAIRS & REPLACEMENTS
• STORM DAMAGE & INSURANCE CLAIMS
• FREE ROOF INSPECTIONS
• EMERGENCY REPAIRS
CALL ADREN TO BOOK YOUR INSPECTION TODAY
405-698-6332
U.S VETERAN
LIC: #8005797
SCAN QR CODE FOR OUR WEBSITE
Visit our Website: geeliteexteriors.com
Call us today! 405-549-5854
Get In Touch Adren@geeliteexteriors.com

NOTICE OF LATEST NAMES APPEARING AS OWNERS OF NEW UNCLAIMED PROPERTY
OKLAHOMA State Treasurer
Todd Russ
LOOK IN NEXT WEEK'S NEWSPAPER FOR YOUR NAME
More than a billion dollars is waiting for more than 8 million unclaimed properties and we need to return it now!
Take a few minutes next week to see if your name is on our list in this newspaper.
Our service is completely free. If you see your name, file the online claim form at
yourmoney.ok.gov
Don't wait, we are here for you and want to reunite unclaimed property that's rightfully yours.
UNCLAIMED PROPERTY DIVISION
4841 N. Sewell Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73118

Bank of Hydro
ESTABLISHED 1903
CD RATE WATCH

TERM	APY*
6 month	3.85%
1 year	3.75%
2 years	3.60%
3 years	3.50%
4 years	3.50%
5 years	3.50%

Blaine Boschman
146 W. Main St • Hydro, OK
405-663-2214
Lyndee Hamar
406 N. Washington
Weatherford, OK
580-774-1300
Jana Johnson
109 East Franklin Avenue
Weatherford, OK
580-774-1302
Donna Hamilton
432 W. Main • Eakly, OK
405-797-3686
Interest Rates and Annual Percentage Yields are current as of publication. Substantial penalty for early withdrawal. Minimum opening deposit of $1000 to obtain APY.
FDIC
*Annual Percentage Yeild

Order Ahead to Save Time
GET IT ON Google Play
Download on the App Store
DEALS FOR DAYS
GET EXCLUSIVE DEALS ON YOUR McDONALD'S FAVORITES IN THE APP WITH CONTACTLESS MOBILE ORDER & PAY* AND CONVENIENT DRIVE THRU OR CURBSIDE PICKUP.
Discover your deal
Start Order
Menu
Full menu
SATISFACTION GUARANTEED
Locally Owned & Operated by the Phillips Family
105 N. Washington, Weatherford, OK • 580-774-1000

Edward Jones
>edwardjones.com | Member SIPC
Partnering throughout the years to help reach your financial goals.
Let's prepare for your future together.
Contact us today to start creating a financial strategy tailored to your specific needs.
Thad Wolgamott
CEPA®, AAMS®
Financial Advisor
1220 Cypress Drive
Weatherford, OK 73096
580-774-2748
Katie Bartmann
Financial Advisor
212 W Main Street
Weatherford, OK 73096
580-772-1832
Ashlyn Pugh
AFFP®
Financial Advisor
1220 Cypress Drive
Weatherford, OK 73096
580-772-2871
Alex Waters
Financial Advisor
1220 Cypress Drive
Weatherford, OK 73096
580-302-8537

Local News

Rogers details GOLD program,

Guard partnership during Rotary meeting



From left Chad Kinder, Speaker Colonel Kale Rogers and Club President Briley Baca.

Joey Ross
WDN Reporter

The partnership between Southwestern Oklahoma State University, the Oklahoma National Guard and the Weatherford community was the focus of a presentation Wednesday by Col. Kale Rogers during a meeting of the Weatherford Rotary Club.

Rogers, a Thomas native, SWOSU graduate and commander of the Oklahoma Army National Guard's 45th Field Artillery Brigade, discussed the Guard Officer Leadership Development program, commonly known as GOLD, along with its role in preparing future military leaders while strengthening ties between SWOSU and the Weatherford community.

The program was established at SWOSU in 2007 through a partnership between the university and the Oklahoma Army National Guard. Its purpose is to develop future commissioned officers while students pursue their college degrees in Weatherford.

Rogers has played a significant role in the program since its early years.

He originally attended SWOSU as a student where he majored in special education. During his college years he enlisted in the National Guard before eventually becoming an officer.

In 2007 Rogers returned to SWOSU as a young captain after completing Ranger School and took charge of the GOLD program.

Years later Rogers returned to the program with a goal of helping rebuild and expand it.

When he returned in 2023 Rogers said the program had four officer candidates. It now has 15 students enrolled, with five second lieutenants having graduated from the program.

The growth has created a need for additional university resources, including scholarships and housing.

Rogers said the partnership with SWOSU allows students to pursue their degrees while preparing for military leadership.

SWOSU's GOLD program provides participants with several benefits including tuition assistance, military pay, health and dental insurance and non-deployable status while they remain in the program and meet its requirements. Students also participate in leadership labs, physical training and field exercises.

For Weatherford, the program's impact extends beyond the SWOSU campus.

GOLD students have participated in community service activities and emergency-response training. SWOSU lists blood drives, Special Olympics events, veterans activities and other community projects among the program's responsibilities.

The connection between GOLD training and the Weatherford community became especially visible in January 2025.

During a training exercise at the SWOSU pool, a GOLD officer candidate experienced a medical emergency and did not resurface. Fellow officer candidates and SWOSU student lifeguard Statton Mantz responded, pulled the student from the water and performed CPR while other students coordinated with emergency responders.

The student recovered.

Four GOLD officer candidates and Mantz were later recognized for their actions during a ceremony in Weatherford. The four Guard candidates received Army Achievement Medals, while Mantz received the Thunderbird Medal, the Oklahoma National Guard's highest award presented to a civilian.

The incident illustrated one of the central ideas behind the GOLD program: military training can have applications beyond the battlefield.

Rogers said physical fitness, preparation, leadership and the ability to work with people are important skills for soldiers and civilians alike.

He described four areas he emphasizes with soldiers: prayer, physical fitness, people and processes.

Rogers also emphasized the Guard's role in responding to emergencies across Oklahoma.

The Oklahoma National Guard can support communities during events such as wildfires, floods, tornadoes and ice storms when called upon by the governor.

Rogers said the Guard works with local and state agencies to determine where personnel and equipment are needed.

That partnership has continued to grow in Weatherford.

In March 2025, Oklahoma National Guard and SWOSU leaders signed an agreement continuing the GOLD program, while the Guard and the city of Weatherford signed a separate memorandum of understanding designed to strengthen cooperation.

The agreements formalized relationships between the Guard, SWOSU and Weatherford while continuing the university's role in providing opportunities for students to become commissioned officers.

The relationship also reaches into emergency preparedness.

Rogers discussed plans to provide GOLD students with additional training and certifications related to wildland firefighting. He said the additional training could give students another skill set while helping prepare the region for future wildfire emergencies.

For SWOSU students the program offers a path combining higher education with military leadership.

Students can attend college in Weatherford while completing military training and working toward a commission as a second lieutenant.

Rogers said the program also can help address the challenge of recruiting and retaining officers in the Oklahoma National Guard.

Young adults often reach a point where careers, families, education and other responsibilities compete for their time. The GOLD program gives students an opportunity to complete their education and begin developing their military careers at the same time.

Rogers said the program also attracts students pursuing a wide range of academic fields.

Students in the program have pursued careers including education, nursing, business, law enforcement and other professions.

The military component can

• Please see **Rotary,** Page 13

Dixie

• Continued from Page 5

of it. Their conduct belies the genuineness of their profession. Avoid all such people! For among them are those who worm their way into homes and captivate silly, weak-natured and spiritually dwarfed women, loaded down with the burden of their sins and easily swayed and led away by various evil desires and seductive impulses. These weak women will listen to anybody who will teach them; they are forever inquiring and getting information, but are never able to arrive at a recognition and knowledge of the Truth." 2 Timothy 3:5-7 AMPC

James describes genuine, non-GMO Christianity:

"External religious worship that is pure and unblemished in the sight of God the Father is this: to visit and help and care for the orphans and widows in their affliction and need, and to keep oneself unspotted and uncontaminated from the world." James 1:27 AMPC

Dr. Dixie teaches and supports balanced Biblical Guidance for strengthening and restoring relationships, as well as spiritual maturity. Send your questions and comments to drdixie51@gmail.com

We Would Be Glad To Help You With All Your Farm Loan Needs.
Bank of Hydro
ESTABLISHED 1903
MEMBER FDIC
146 W. Main • Hydro • 405-663-2214



ACE HOME CENTER
800 E. Main • Weatherford • 772-7781


HARMS
Insurance Agency, Inc.
CHAVAN SAMPLEY
1100 E Main St.
Suite 300
Weatherford, OK
580-772-2324
chavan@harmsinsuranceok.com
HOME • AUTO • BUSINESS
AGENT FOR GOODVILLE MUTUAL
www.harmsinsuranceok.com

FOOTBALL CONTEST

SPONSORED BY THE 2026-2027 SPORTS PAGE CLUB MEMBERS

Elk Supply ACE
800 E. MAIN • WFORD
580-772-7781

16. Notre Dame @ Purdue

Andy's Mobile Repairs
10384 N. 2420 Rd.
Weatherford, OK
(580) 302-3867

14. Oregon @ USC

Member FDIC
Bank of Hydro
ESTABLISHED • 1903
146 W. Main • Hydro
405-663-2214
406 N. Washington • Wford
580-774-1300
109 E. Franklin Avenue • Wford
580-774-1302

Bank of Western Oklahoma
"Where People Come First"
Woodward • Elk City • Vici • Cordell • Geary • Weatherford
115 Custer St
Weatherford, OK 73096
(580) 774-2265
bankofwesternoklahoma.com

3. Thoms @ Apache

GO EAGLES!

BLAKEBURN MD
CONCIERGE + CLINIC
800 Frisco Ave • Clinton, OK
(580) 323-2700
drblakeburn.com

CBA Corn Bible Academy
LEARN. GROW. LEAD.
7-12TH GRADES
CORNBIBLE.ORG

15. SWOSU @ OBU

BlueSky Bank
Your home team bank.
www.blueskybank
FDIC

Bokay's
We do baby and wedding registries
405-663-2827 • 121 W. Main • Hydro, Ok
After Hours: Odee Haynes 580-772-4053

25. Arizona @ San Francisco

Carrie Gibson
PHOTOGRAPHY
FIND ME ON:
SCAN HERE TO CHECK OUT MY FACEBOOK PAGE
Call 580-302-3576 to book an appointment today!

18. L.A. Chargers @ Buffalo Bills

GMC Cadillac Ford Chrysler
Cummins
AUTO GROUP
Jeep
www.cumminsautogroup.com

MLS
DAVIS PROPERTIES LLC
580.772.0606 • 110 W. Main
davispropertiesok.com

7. Cushing @ Skiatook

EAGLE PHARMACY
3741 Legacy
Weatherford, OK
CLARK ARGANBRIGHT, PharmD
GARRETT GAUNT, PharmD
PHONE: 580-772-3300
FAX: 580-772-3317

12. Ole Miss @ Florida

El Patio
Mexican Grill And Cantina
310 N Washington St
Weatherford, OK
(580) 774-5336

10. OK. State @ West Virginia

Endurance Federal Credit Union
NOW OPEN!
www.endurancefcu.org
New location at
1505 E. Main • Wford, OK
580-374-4031
NCUA

GIBCO CAPITAL ADVISORS
112 S. 7th St.
Clinton, Ok
580-323-9000
MAKENA MINTON
LOCAL WEALTH ADVISOR
www.gibcocapital.com

17. Kansas St. @ Cincinnati

Kluver's
APPLIANCES & HOME FURNISHINGS
Serving Western Oklahoma Since 1936
500 Opal Avenue • Clinton, OK
(580) 323-3074
Mon-Fri: 9am-5:30pm
Sat: 10am-2pm

21. Las Vegas @ New Orleans

Brown's
FLOOR COVERING
580-772-3157
117 N. Broadway

23. L.A. Rams @ Denver

Member SIPC
Edward Jones
Katie Bartmann- Financial Advisor
212 W Main Street • (580) 772-1832
Ashlyn Pugh- Financial Advisor
1220 Cypress Dr. • (580) 772-2871
Alex Waters- Financial Advisor
1220 Cypress Dr. • (580) 302-8537
Thad Wolgamott- Financial Advisor
1220 Cypress Dr. • (580) 774-2748
edwardjones.com

2. Cache @ Elk City

HORSE CREEK GARDENS
580-772-0212
Just 5 miles North on HWY 54 & 1/2 mile West at the sign.
www.horsecreekgardens.com

9. Stillwater @ Owasso

MAGILL
INSURANCE & REAL ESTATE
322 East Main • Weatherford, OK
580-772-7101 | MagillAgency.com
MagillRealEstate.com

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED
Locally Owned & Operated
by the Phillips Family
105 N. Washington

Monte's
CARPET WAREHOUSE
CARPET • TILE • WOOD • VINYL
208 N.W. Main St.
Weatherford, OK
580-772-7354
Mon-Fri 8-12pm & 1-5pm

4. Hennessey @ Christian Heritage

Hallmark
More Than MEDICINE
580-772-2781
101 W. Main • Weatherford Towne Center

SONIC
208 E. MAIN STREET
WEATHERFORD, OK
(580) 772-5424

22. Baltimore @ Dallas

SWOSU
Southwestern Oklahoma State University
100 W Campus Dr,
Weatherford, OK
(580) 774-3063

13. Texas @ Tennessee

The Aquarium Pet Store
(580) 772-6421
10319 N 2410 RD
SOUTH OF TRACTOR SUPPLY
WEATHERFORD, OK

20. Kansas City @ Miami

West Oak Wealth
A new opportunity for
FINANCIAL CONFIDENCE
(580)302-6700
Chip Anderson
www.WestOakWealth.com

WPLS
Western Plains Library System
219 E Franklin Ave
Weatherford, OK

8. Bixby @ Mustang

wh
weatherford
REGIONAL HOSPITAL
A St. Anthony Hospital Affiliate
3701 E. Main, Weatherford • 580-772-5551

5. Kingfisher @ North Rock Creek

Stan Thomason
Hinton, OK
THOMASON Farms
405-850-2844
Premium Quality
Performance Horse Hay!
We Deliver!

6. Guthrie @ Carl Albert

WHATABURGER
1320 E. Eagle Dr • Wford, OK

11. Oklahoma @ Georgia

Britton, Kuykendall & Miller
Certified Public Accountants
580-772-3596
bkmcpa@sbcglobal.net
204 E. Franklin, Weatherford

66
Gas & Auto Service
Oil changes • Repairs • Tires • Alignment
817 E Main St | Weatherford, OK
(580) 772-3797

24. Philadelphia @ Chicago

HARMS
Insurance Agency, Inc.
1100 E Main St.
Suite 300
Weatherford, OK
580-772-2324

WTC
WESTERN TECHNOLOGY CENTER
Educating People For Success
Burns Flat • Hobart • Weatherford • Elk City
www.westtech.edu

19. Carolina @ Cleveland

Brandhorst Realty
(580)772-8152
BRANDHORSTREALTY.COM
SUE BRANDHORST
BROKER, GRI
(580)772-4410

1. Weatherford @ Douglass

FOOTBALL CONTEST!
Weekly Prizes
1st Place : 50 "bucks"
2nd Place : 20 "bucks"
3rd Place : 10 "bucks"
Exchangeable for merchandise at participating merchants.

RULES

1. Anyone can enter except employees of the WDN and their immediate families.
2. Only one entry per week per person.
3. DEADLINE: Each 5PM Thursday prior to the current weekend games. Clip and deposit the coupon only in the special Football Contest box on the front counter at the Weatherford Daily News office, 118 S. Broadway, or mail entry with a post mark no later than 5PM Thursday to WDN Football Contest P.O. Box 191, Weatherford, Ok 73096. Only 3 entries per envelope please.
4. Match the number of each game with the number on the entry blank and PRINT the name of the team you think will win. For the weekly tiebreaker game, write the combined score (total of both teams) on the entry form. In case of a tie, a winner will be selected by a random drawing.
5. All decisions are final. Winners will be announced in Wednesday's Daily News each week, and prizes can be picked up at the WDN office.
6. Limit two wins per person. Per season.

PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY TO BE ELIGIBLE TO WIN

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____
13. _____
14. _____
15. _____
16. _____
17. _____
18. _____
19. _____
20. _____
21. _____
22. _____
23. _____
24. _____
25. _____

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

TIE BREAKER

Weatherford @ Douglass

Sports Page Club 2025-2026 WDN TOTAL SPORTS COVERAGE
A big Thank You to our
SPORTS PAGE CLUB MEMBERS

ElkSUPPLY ACE
800 E. MAIN • WEATHERFORD
580-772-7781
ELKSUPPLY.COM

ALL STAR WATER
KENT HAMILTON
Weatherford, OK • 580-774-9089
Call, Text, or
E-mail: allstarwater@icloud.com

YOUR MONEY. YOUR GOALS. OUR EXPERTISE.
blue sky
1100 E Main St | Weatherford, OK 73096
580.772.5574 | bluesky.bank

B.O.P. RAM & IRON RENTAL
717 South Custer Street
Weatherford, OK
(580) 772-0250

The ONLY Auto Service AND Convenience Store in town!
66 Gas & Auto Service
FAST FRIENDLY SERVICE
Comfortable Waiting Area
817 E. Main • Weatherford
580-772-3797
AUTO SERVICE M-F 7AM-8PM • SAT 7AM-5PM
CONVENIENCE STORE M-S 7AM-9PM • SUN 8AM-6PM

Make Us Your First Call for All of Your Rehab Needs
CORNHERITAGE VILLAGE & REHAB
CORN & WEATHERFORD Serving since 1946
WWW.CORNHERITAGE.COM
WEATHERFORD 580-772-3993 810 N. Washington
CORN 580-343-2295 106 W. Adams
GARY@CORNHERITAGE.ORG

A+ROOFING AND CONSTRUCTION LLC
FULLY INSURED • LOCALLY OWNED • QUALITY WORK
580-772-7587
LIC#80002306

Cummins AUTO GROUP
Chevrolet Buick GMC Cadillac (580) 772-5521 1300 N. Airport Rd.
Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram (580) 772-5522 4100 Carriage Way
Ford Lincoln (580) 772-3319 4000 Carriage Way

Gabe's TWISTED WRENCH 580.816.5055
AUTO REPAIR 315 E. FRANKLIN

Giblet Stove Sales, Inc.
Michael Giblet
580-323-8411
1820 Hwy 183
Clinton, OK
gibletstovesales.com

GO with GOLDMANN'S ELECTRIC
24 Hour Service • No Job Too Small!
580-772-2172
GENERAC SALES & SERVICE DEALER

J.M. HUSER III M.D.
580-772-3331
3725 Legacy

NOW IS THE TIME to treat for Termites & Spiders
WESTERN PEST CONTROL
Friendly, Reliable Service Since 1998
SERVING THE WESTERN OKLAHOMA AREA
CALL TODAY 580-323-2539
WWW.WESTERNPEST.NET
WE OFFER COMMERCIAL & RESIDENTIAL PEST CONTROL

WESTERN SEALCOATING & Striping LLC
BEFORE
AFTER
CALL US TODAY!
(580) 799-7558
Weatherford, OK

CHURCH DIRECTORY AND DEVOTIONAL

This devotional and directory is made possible by these businesses who encourage all of us to attend worship services.

Matthew 4:19

And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."



GRACE WORSHIP CENTER
10345 Hwy. 54
Sunday: Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
Children's Church: 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service: 6:00 p.m.

CALVARY BAPTIST — come2cbc.com
10088 Lark Rd., 580-772-1033
Drive-Up Services/Live on Facebook
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday: 7 p.m.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST — ebcweatherford.com
719 N. Kansas St., 580-772-3413
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. Grow Groups (all ages)
10:45 a.m. Family Worship (also streaming on Facebook)
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m. Adult, Youth, and Children's Activity
8:00 p.m. College & Young Adult

FIRST BAPTIST — www.fbcweatherford.com
1510 E. Davis Ave., 580-772-2771
Sunday: 9:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship/LifeGroups for University, Adults, and Children's Ministry for Birth – 3 yr olds
Wednesday: 6:30pm (During the school year)

TRINITY BAPTIST — trinityweatherford.net
901 W. Huber Ave., 580-772-5975
Sunday: Bible Study Groups: 9:30-10:30 a.m.
Worship Gathering: 10:40 a.m.
Live streaming Sundays @ 10:40 a.m.
Wednesday Activities: Family Ministry & Bible Study 6:30 p.m.
College Discipleship @ 8 p.m.
(when university is in session)

ST. EUGENE CATHOLIC — steugenewf.com
704 N. Bryan St., 580-772-3209
Weekend Masses: Saturday 5pm
Sunday 11am
Weekday Masses: Wednesday 12:10pm and Friday 9am
Confession Times: Sunday 10:30am & Saturday 4:30pm
Confession Available before every mass or by appointment.

SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN — southwesternchurch.com
2525 Lyle Rd., 580-772-6052
Sunday: 10:00 a.m. meeting in person
Services will be streamed online on Facebook, YouTube, & our website @ 10 a.m.
Wednesday Grow Group: 6:30pm

CHURCH OF CHRIST — weatherfordcoc.org
1701 Pine Ave., 580-772-3434
Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday: 6:30pm

GRACE LUTHERAN — Find us on Facebook
120 E. Proctor Ave. 580-337-6344
Worship Service: 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Service: 10:15 a.m.
Live streamed and recorded on Facebook

COMPANERISMO CRISTIANO
1709 N Lyle Rd., En el chapel de Life Fellowship
Domingo: 11:00 a.m.

TEMPLO DE ALABANZA — Find us on Facebook
1709 N. Lyle Rd., 405-476-2087
Domingo: 3:00 p.m.
Martes: 7:00 p.m.
Viernes: 3:00 p.m.

NEW LIFE FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER — Find us on Facebook
402 N. Custer, 405-929-0355
Sunday: Sunday School @ 9:45 a.m.
Worship @ 10:30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Bible Study @ 7 p.m.
*Services are in person and online.

WEATHERFORD INDIAN BAPTIST
7th and Tom Stafford, 405-677-5786
Sunday: Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 11:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST — Find us on Facebook
817 N. 7th St., 580-772-5565
Sunday Worship Service: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 p.m.
Sunday: Services are streamed live on Facebook and broadcasted live on KWEY AM/1590 and KWEY FM/100.3 radio @ 10:30 a.m.
fumcmethodistok.org

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
301 W. Franklin, 580-772-3471
Our services are available on our Facebook page @WeatherfordCotN.
Sunday: 10 a.m. Sermons
11:15 a.m. Sunday School
Wednesday: 6:00 pm Teen Quizzing
6:00 pm Adult Bible Study

FEDERATED CHURCH — www.thefederatedchurch.net
A fellowship of Christian Church, Disciple of Christ, Presbyterian USA, and United Church of Christ
302 N. Custer, Weatherford, OK
580-772-3206
Sunday School: 9:30am
Worship: 10:45am
Everyone is welcome here

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST — Find us on Facebook
Temporary Address: 817 N. 7th @ The Wesley • 580-330-0799
Saturday: *Services will be streamed live on Facebook @ 11 am*
Sabbath School - 10 am | Spanish Sabbath School - 10 am
Service - 11:30 am | Spanish Sermon - 11:30 am
Wednesday:
Prayer Meeting is at 323 N. 6th, Thomas, Ok at 3:30pm

BIBLE CHAIR (CHURCH OF CHRIST STUDENT CENTER)
109 W. Davis Ave., 580-772-5179
Sunday: Worship at 9:30am
Bible Class at 11:00am
Small Groups: 5:00pm
Wednesday: 6:30 pm — weatherfordcoc.org

CHRIST COMMUNITY — christcommweatherford.com
1203 Lera, 580-772-1955
Sunday: Bible Study: 10:00 a.m.
Inspirational Worship: 11:00 a.m.

FAITH OF WESTERN
1717 E Main St, 580-772-1818

GREEN CORN REVIVAL
120 W. Main St., 580-302-0802

LIBERTY CHURCH INTERNATIONAL
Live on Facebook
Check lci.online for services locations & times

LIFE FELLOWSHIP — www.lifefellowship.net
1709 Lyle Rd., 580-772-2234
Sundays: 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday: *Kids & Junior High* 6:00 p.m.
High School 7:00 p.m.

PINE ACRES — www.pineacreschurch.org
1321 N. Lark St., Weatherford, OK
580-772-2190
Sunday Service Times: 9:00am and 10:30am
Livestream Available on our Facebook

PLEASANT VIEW MENNONITE CHURCH- HYDRO, OK
94948 N. 2450 Rd, 405-663-2301
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Supper: 5:45 p.m.
Activities: 6:30 p.m. — www.pvmcok.org

ST. BASIL THE GREAT ORTHODOX MISSION
110 E. Franklin Ave., 580-613-0173
Services: All services are live-streamed. Email nick@saintbasil.org for the GoToMeeting link to access the service. Check our website ww.saintbasil.org for the schedule of services.

NEW LIFE CHURCH-HYDRO, OO — www.newlifeok.church
506 E. 6th St., Hydro, Oklahoma
Sunday: 8:30am, 9:45am, and 11:15am
Live streaming on Facebook @ New Life Church

WEATHERFORD MISSIONARY BAPTIST
600 E. Huber Ave.
Sunday:
Bible Study: 8:00 am
Worship Service: 9:00 am

M&D ENTERPRISES & LAWNMOWER SHOPS
580-774-9079
MowersOK.com
OutBuildingsOK.com
3425 East Main Weatherford

Andy's MOBILE REPAIRS
10384 N. 2420 Rd.
Weatherford, OK
(580) 302-3867

Monte's CARPET WAREHOUSE
CARPET • TILE • WOOD • VINYL
208 N.W. Main • Weatherford, OK
580-772-7354 (Main Phone)
580-774-5777 (Cell)

NAPA AUTO & TRUCK PARTS
Western Oklahoma Auto Parts
115 S. Washington
Weatherford, OK 73096
(580) 302-8673

PECINA'S
LUNCH SPECIALS
MONDAY-FRIDAY • 11:00 AM-4:30 PM
1711 East Main Street • Weatherford, OK
580-772-2329 | Mon-Sat: 11am-9pm | Closed Sun

SHEPHERD Home Health & Hospice, LLC
525 S. 30th St.
Clinton, OK
580-323-1580
www.shepherdhomecare.com

SONIC
208 E Main St • Weatherford, OK
(580) 772-5424

SouthWest Air Conditioning & Heating
204 NW MAIN - WEATHERFORD
580-772-8000 LENNOX
24 Hour Emergency Service

JAMIE CAMERON · DDS
Call us for details!
(580) 816-6700
1204 E. Main St • Weatherford, OK

WPLS Western Plains Library System
Weatherford Public Library
219 E. Franklin
www.wplibs.com
FREE eBooks, Audiobooks, magazines, music, movies, T.V. Shows and more!

Equity Exchange
AGRONOMY ENERGY FARM & RANCH GRAIN RISK MANAGEMENT
300 E Clark Ave • Weatherford, OK
(580) 772-3334
www.myequityexchange.com

Hallmark More Than MEDICINE
101 W MAIN ST • WEATHERFORD, OK
(580) 772-2781

Family Owned
OFFERING A WIDE SELECTION OF AGRICULTURE EQUIPMENT
Grain Bins • Hoppers • Equipment
405-545-0559
GRAIN BINS • HOPPERS
TRUCKS • TRAILERS
www.wallequip.com

HEARTLAND ANIMAL HOSPITAL
Check out our online store @ heartlandanimal.net
2115 E Main St • (580) 772-7297

Established 2003
Cornerstone Home Health, Inc.
We are Veterans servicing Veterans
LOOKING FOR A RELIABLE HOME HEALTH CARE COMPANY?
CALL US 580-394-5454 OR SCAN THE QR CODE
Nursing | Therapy | Aides | Light Housekeeping
Dressing/Bathing | Transportation/Shopping
VA, Medicare, and Private Pay accepted
Servicing Weatherford and surrounding areas!
NOW HIRING
SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS
CornerstoneHomeHealthServices.com

WESTERN EQUIPMENT
4501 E. MAIN • 772-5578

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED
Locally owned & operated by the Phillips Family
105 N Washington Ave • Weatherford, OK • (580) 774-1000

Kluver's APPLIANCES & HOME FURNISHINGS
Serving Western Oklahoma Since 1936
500 Opal Avenue • Clinton, OK
(580) 323-3074
Mon-Fri: 9am-5:30pm | Sat: 10am-2pm

Local sports

Senior Sweep

Lady Eagles celebrate senior night with 3-0 win

Jack Lederman
WDN Reporter

Before taking the court against Newcastle, Weatherford volleyball took a moment to recognize the seniors who have helped shape the Lady Eagles program before coming away with a convincing 3-0 sweep.

Seniors Kadence Merkey, Alivia Loney and Kaylei Taylor were escorted to the middle of the court by their families as part of Weatherford's senior night ceremony, giving the Lady Eagles and their supporters an opportunity to celebrate the trio before the match.

Once the ceremony ended, Weatherford's seniors helped make sure the celebration continued.

The Lady Eagles swept Newcastle 3-0, winning 25-18, 25-16 and 25-15 to improve to 21-4 on the season.

Weatherford controlled the match from the opening set and became increasingly dominant as the night progressed. The Lady Eagles held Newcastle below 20 points in all three sets and allowed just 31 combined points over the final two.

For Loney, a senior middle blocker, getting the victory alongside her teammates made senior night even more meaningful.

"It felt great," Loney said. "I'm really proud of my team. Everybody worked really hard. We have a really good community, and we all just, like, we play for each other, so I'm really proud of us."

• Please see **Volleyball,** Page 14



Alivia Loney serves against Newcastle Sept. 17.

Legals

SECOND ALIAS NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
CJ-2025-86

Notice is given that on the 27th day of October, 2026, at 10:00 Am, at the Southeast hall of County Courthouse, Custer County, Oklahoma, The Sheriff will offer for sale and sell, with appraisement, at public auction, to the highest and best bidder, all that certain real estate in Custer County, Oklahoma,:

THE SOUTH 63.50 FEET OF LOT 19 IN BLOCK 7 OF THE WESTERN HILLS ADDITION TO THE CITY OF WEATHERFORD, CUSTER COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED PLAT THEROF.

Subject to unpaid taxes, and all amounts set forth in the judgment granted herein, said property having been duly appraised at $150,000.00. Sale will be made pursuant to a Second Alias Special Execution and order of Sale issued in accordance with judgment entered in the District Court of Custer County, Oklahoma, in Case No. CJ-2025-86, title Freedom Mortgage Corporation, vs Christopher Leonido Cabal, Spouse of Christopher Leonido Cabal, Occupants of the Premises, and being all of the Defendants and persons holding or claiming any interest in Lien in the subject property.

Custer Conty Sheriff
Custer County, Oklahoma
/s/Deana Bond

Don Timberlake - # 9021
Matt Hudspeth -# 14613
Kim S. Jenkins - # 32809
Gina D Knight - # I2996
Chynna Scruggs - # 32663
Rachel P.O'Day - #36561
BAER & TIMBERLAKE, P.C.
5901 N Western, Suite 300
Oklahoma City, OK 73118
Telephone: (405) 842-7722
Email: mail@baertimberlake.com

(Published in the Weatherford Daily News September 19 and 26, 2026)
LPXLP

BEFORE THE CORPORATION COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA

APPLICANT: DEVON ENERGY PRODUCTION COMPANY, L.P.

RELIEF SOUGHT: APPLICATION FOR A COMMERCIAL RECYCLING FACILITY UNDER OAC 165:10-9-4

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: S/2 SW/4 OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 14 NORTH, RANGE 20 WEST, CUSTER COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY TO OPERATE COMMERCIAL RECYCLING FACILITY
PD-2026-000085

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Applicant, Devon Energy Production Company, LP, 333 West Sheridan Ave., Oklahoma City, OK 73102, in this cause is requesting the Commission to issue an order granting the Applicant authority to operate a commercial recycling facility at the above-captioned location(s).

Devon has filed an Application with the Oklahoma Corporation Commission to construct the Leghorn Water Recycling Facility to accept produced water and other related deleterious substances. The Facility will treat produced water and brines for reuse in oil and gas exploration, production and completion operations.

FACILITY NAME: Leghorn Water Recycling Facility

LOCATION: S/2 SW/4 of Section 24, Township 14 North, Range 20 West, Custer County, Oklahoma.

FACILITY CAPACITY: The facility will have two (2) storage pits totaling 1,022,596 barrels. Each pit will hold up to 511,298 barrels.

OWNER OF THE FACILITY: Devon Energy Production Company, LP

CONTACT: Jon Tenpenny, Telephone: 405-552-3505, email: jon.tenpenny@dvn.com.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that any protest to this application must be filed with the Court Clerk within the protest period prescribed by 165:5-7-35, said protest period being not less than thirty (30) days after the last of any of the following events: (1) the filing of the application, (2) the filing of all required exhibits, (3) the date on which last publication was made, (4) the date of completion of service of process on all respondents in the case, or (5) the site inspection of the proposed facility.

NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that any protest must comply with the requirements as prescribed by 165:5-7-35. The protest must be filed in writing with the Court Clerk of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission and a copy must be provided to the Applicant and the Manager of the Pollution Abatement Division. The protest shall include the caption of the case, the name, address, telephone number, and email address of the protestant, and it must give a brief reason for the protest.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that an initial site inspection shall be made by the Applicant and the Pollution Abatement staff on the day of September 29, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. Any interested person may attend.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that this cause will be heard before an Administrative Law Judge on the Pollution Hearing Docket at the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, at 8:30 a.m., on the 3rd day of November, 2026, and that this Notice be published as required by law and the Rules of the Commission.

Due to renovation work at the Jim Thorpe Office Building, the Commission's Oklahoma City office has relocated to the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building at 2401 N. Lincoln Blvd., in the Capitol Complex, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105. All hearings, docket calls, and public meetings will be conducted in the Concourse Theater or additional courtrooms located in the tunnel between the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building and the Sequoyah Memorial Office Building. The specific room location, including updates, of each scheduled hearing or public meeting will be available on or before the day of the event at the information desk in the first floor lobby of the Will Rogers Memorial Office Building and on the Commission's website at: https://oklahoma.gov/occ/courtdockets.html

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the referenced hearing may be conducted via teleconference or video conference. Before coming to the building for this hearing, please visit the Oklahoma Corporation Commission website at www.occeweb.com to determine the status of building access. Instructions for participating via teleconference or video conference are available on the Commission's website.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the Applicant and interested parties may present testimony by telephone. The cost of telephonic communication shall be paid by the person or persons requesting its use. Interested parties who wish to participate by telephone shall contact the Applicant or Applicant's attorney, prior to the hearing date, and provide their name and telephone number.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that if the application is unprotested then it shall be referred to the Conservation Division of the Commission for review without hearing and that if the application is protested, then any protestants shall receive notice of hearing as prescribed by 165:5-7-35.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that all interested persons may appear and be heard. For information concerning this action, contact Eric Huddleston, Attorney, Two Leadership Square, 211 North Robinson, Suite 1300, Oklahoma City, OK 73102, Telephone: (405) 232 3722.

CORPORATION COMMISSION OF OKLAHOMA

Kim David, Chairman
J. Todd Hiett, Commissioner
Brian Bingman, Commissioner

DONE AND PERFORMED THIS 15th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2026.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:
Secretary

(Published in the Weatherford Daily News September 19 and 23, 2026)
LPXLP

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CUSTER COUNTY STATE OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF KRISTI JO HILL, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
PB-2026-62
Judge Hada

To the Creditors of KRISTI JO HILL:

All Creditors having claims against Kristi Jo Hill are required to present the same with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to Benjamin Dale Hill, Administrator, c/o Amy W. Mueller, DeBee Clark & Weber, PLLC at 1200 NW 63rd Street, Suite 5000, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73116, on or before November 23, 2026, or the same will be forever barred.

Dated this 14 day of September 2026.

/s/ Michael N. Clark,
OBA No. 19778
Taylor C. Gronlund,
OBA No. 35621
Amy W. Mueller, OBA No. 35692
DeBee Clark & Weber, PLLC
1200 NW 63rd Street, Suite 5000
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73116
Phone (405) 232-7777
Attorneys for the Administrator

(Published in the Weatherford Daily News September 19 and 26, 2026)
LPXLP

CLASSIFIEDS hello... Marketplace

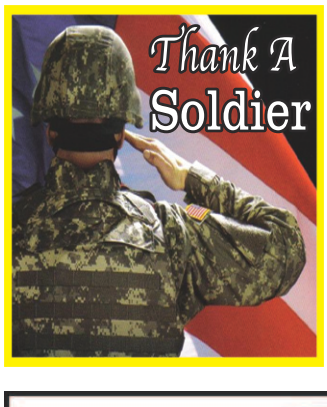
To place an advertisement Call 580-772-3301 • email wdn@wdnonline.com

3701 E. Main
Weatherford, OK
73096

VOLUNTEERS!!
We are searching for Volunteers.
You can make a difference by volunteering at Weatherford Regional Hospital!
For information on volunteering contact Charmaine Boulette at 580-774-4702

Employment positions are located at weatherfordhospital.com under the Careers icon

APPLY ONLINE:
weatherfordhospital.com



STORAGE SPACE FOR RENT
New mini storage facility.
5x10, 10x10, 10x15, 10x20, 13x25, and 13x30. Carport 12x42
580-774-8154

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
Goldmann's Electric.
No job too small.
580-772-2172.

FOR RENT
611 N. Caddo St.
3 bdrm. house for rent next to SWOSU campus. 1200 SF, basement, fenced back yard, shop. Across from park, well-maintained historic home, renovated bathroom, new paint, wood floors. Large driveway.
$1400/mo. Internet included.
Tenant pays utilities.
Contact (405) 887-3702

IMMEDIATE AVAILABILITY
1&2 Bedroom Apartments
Weatheridge APARTMENTS
580-774-0331

SWODA

SWODA HIRING: MOBILITY NAVIGATOR

Oklahoma Department of Transportation

South Western Oklahoma Development Authority – Burns Flat, OK

South Western Oklahoma Development Authority NOW HIRING – MOBILITY NAVIGATOR Full-time position based in Burns Flat, with an anticipated start date of October 1, 2026. Work with local transit, tribal governments, medical and human service agencies to improve transportation options across Beckham, Custer, Roger Mills & Washita counties. Must be comfortable speaking in front of groups, presenting to community organizations, and clearly explaining program requirements to the public. Requires HS diploma/GED + 2 yrs experience or associate degree: bachelor's preferred. Must have strong computer skills and valid Oklahoma driver's license.

For a full Job Description please visit the SWODA website, swoda.org

Send resumes to stephanie@swoda.org or mail to SWODA, PO Box 569, Burns Flat, OK 73624.

SWODA is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not discriminate on basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, or other non-merit factor.

2 OFFICES AVAILABLE



Conveniently located near I-40 and Tom Stafford Airport, with ample on-site parking.

1401 Lera Dr Ste 7 • Wford, Ok
Approx. 680 sq ft
Rents for $700/month



1401 Lera Dr Ste 8 • Wford, Ok
Approx. 1,100 sq ft
Rents for $1,100/month



Contact Ed Berrong at 580-302-2131



Think Green.
Remember to Recycle.

Real estate

What buyers are looking for in today's housing market

As the housing market continues to change, homebuyers are becoming more selective about where they put their money, with affordability, location and long-term value playing major roles in purchasing decisions.

For buyers in communities such as Weatherford, the search for a home often involves balancing the desire for additional space and modern features with the realities of home prices, interest rates and monthly expenses.

One of the biggest considerations for buyers is affordability. The cost of purchasing a home extends beyond the listing price, with buyers also having to account for property taxes, insurance, maintenance, utilities and, for many, mortgage interest.

According to recent housing data, the average Weatherford home value was approximately $231,115 in July, representing a 3.8% increase over the previous year. The median listing price was approximately $242,327.

Those numbers can make buyers more conscious of what they receive for their money.

Instead of simply looking for the largest house available, many buyers are paying closer attention to the condition of a property and whether it is ready to move into. Updated kitchens and bathrooms, newer flooring, energy-efficient appliances and improvements to major systems can make a home more attractive to buyers who want to avoid immediate renovation expenses.

Energy efficiency has also become an increasingly important consideration.

For homeowners, heating and cooling costs can represent a significant portion of monthly household expenses, particularly during Oklahoma's hot summers and cold winter months. Features such as updated windows, insulation, efficient heating and cooling systems and newer appliances can therefore be viewed as investments rather than simply cosmetic improvements.

Location remains another major factor. In Weatherford, proximity to schools, shopping, restaurants, parks, medical services and major roadways can influence how appealing a property is to potential buyers. For families, access to schools and neighborhood characteristics can be especially important, while other buyers may place greater emphasis on being close to work or local businesses.

The size and layout of a home are changing in importance as well.

Open living areas remain popular, but buyers are also looking for flexible spaces that can serve multiple purposes. A spare bedroom can function as an office, guest room or study area, while garages and outdoor spaces can provide additional storage and recreational areas.

Outdoor living has become another selling point for many properties. Fenced yards, covered patios and usable backyard space can provide additional room for families, pets and entertaining without requiring the purchase of a larger home.

At the same time, buyers are not the only people adjusting to changes in the market. Sellers are increasingly faced with the need to make their properties stand out among competing listings.

A well-maintained home with an appropriate asking price may attract more attention than a property that requires extensive work or is priced significantly above comparable homes.

For prospective buyers, patience can be important. Comparing multiple properties, examining recent sales and considering the total cost of ownership can help provide a clearer picture of whether a home fits within a household's budget.

The Weatherford housing market, like markets across Oklahoma, continues to reflect broader economic conditions while also being shaped by local demand.

As buyers continue searching for homes, the properties that offer a combination of affordability, practicality and desirable features may receive the most attention.

For those entering the market, understanding what they actually need from a home, rather than simply focusing on its appearance, can help turn the search for a house into a longer-term investment.

REAL ESTATE SPOTLIGHT

CORI GRAHAM



ROOTED IN COMMUNITY. DRIVEN BY FAMILY. READY TO HELP YOU FIND HOME.

AS A MOTHER OF FOUR CHILDREN RANGING FROM 6 TO 24, I UNDERSTAND THAT HOME IS MORE THAN A HOUSE—IT'S WHERE LIFE HAPPENS, MEMORIES ARE MADE, AND FAMILIES GROW.

I'M A NATURE ENTHUSIAST AT HEART, AND WHEN I'M NOT HELPING CLIENTS, YOU'LL LIKELY FIND ME OUTDOORS WITH MY FAMILY. I ENJOY HUNTING, HIKING, PRIMITIVE CAMPING, FISHING, FAMILY-STYLE PHOTOGRAPHY, AND TAKING ROAD TRIPS TO EXPLORE NEW PLACES AND MAKE LASTING MEMORIES WITH MY CHILDREN.

I'M ALSO PROUD TO SERVE MY RURAL COMMUNITY AS A VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER, AN EXPERIENCE THAT HAS STRENGTHENED MY COMMITMENT TO HELPING OTHERS, SERVING MY NEIGHBORS, AND SHOWING UP WHEN IT MATTERS MOST.

I'M EXCITED TO BRING THAT SAME DEDICATION, ENERGY, AND GENUINE CARE INTO MY REAL ESTATE CAREER. I'M HIGHLY MOTIVATED, COMMUNITY-MINDED, AND READY TO HELP YOU TAKE THE NEXT STEP TOWARD FINDING A PLACE YOU'RE PROUD TO CALL HOME.

YOUR HOME. YOUR JOURNEY. LET'S MAKE IT HAPPEN.

580-530-9612

CORI@DAVISPROPERTIESOK.COM

DAVIS PROPERTIES LLC

580-772-0606
110 West Main St.
Towne Centre Weatherford
DavisPropertiesOk.com



This home offers a great location; amazing energy efficiency and a huge lot with mature shade trees. You can even build a metal shop at this location! Call today and check out it's many quality improvements including Anderson windows, stainless updated appliances, granite counters & much more.

Brandhorst Realty
Weatherford, OK

Brandhorst Realty
Call Sue for your private showing
580-772-4410 (cell) or (580)772-8152
CALL TODAY!
brandhorstrealty@gmail.com

www.brandhorstrealty.com

Slagell
REAL ESTATE

Featured Listings



EXCEPTIONAL 20-ACRE TRACT ALONG I-40 AND ROUTE 66, OFFERING A GRASS PASTURE & SMALL POND.

20 ACRES

580-302-9127

SLAGELLREALESTATE.COM

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE

All real estate advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation, or discrimination because of race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin, or intention to make any such preference, limitation or discrimination"

This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persona are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

MAGILL REAL ESTATE
580.772.7101 | 322 E Main
Weatherford, OK 73096

SCAN ME!

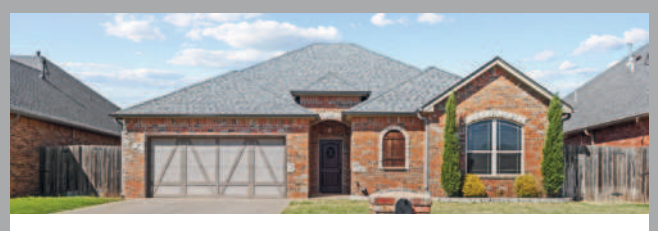
LET'S GO TAKE A LOOK AT ANY OF THESE BEAUTIFUL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN **WEATHERFORD**! OUR TEAM WOULD LOVE TO WORK WITH YOU!



1504 TIMBERCREEK DR
WEATHERFORD | $258,000
2 BED | 2 BATH | 2 CAR GARAGE | 1,553 SQ FT
PRESENTED BY: KAREN MAGILL | 580-302-2009



3540 CALLAWAY DR
WEATHERFORD | $624,999
4 BED | 3.5 BATH | OVERSIZED LOT | 3,583 SQ FT
PRESENTED BY: KAREN MAGILL | 580-302-2009



2513 HAYRIDE DRIVE
WEATHERFORD | $259,999
2 BED | 2 BATH | 2 CAR GARAGE | 1,553 SQ FT
PRESENTED BY: KAREN MAGILL | 580-302-2009



1009 ILLINOIS ST
WEATHERFORD | $224,500
3 BED | 2 BATH | STORM SHELTER | 1,953 SQ FT
PRESENTED BY: KAREN MAGILL | 580-302-2009



301 E ARAPAHO
WEATHERFORD | $99,900
5 BED | 1.5+ BATH | CORNER LOT | 1,553 SQ FT
PRESENTED BY: KAREN MAGILL | 580-302-2009

Rotary

• Continued from Page 7

complement those civilian careers, Rogers said.

While much of Rogers' presentation focused on the future of the Oklahoma National Guard and the growth of artillery capabilities, he repeatedly returned to the importance of serving Oklahomans at home.

The 45th Field Artillery Brigade operates HIMARS (High Mobility Artillery Rocket System) systems and is preparing for additional artillery capabilities. Rogers said the growth will require more personnel, equipment and logistical support.

But he said the Guard's role extends well beyond military operations.

For Weatherford, the relationship provides a connection between a university, its students and a military organization with responsibilities across Oklahoma.

For students participating in the GOLD program, the experience offers an opportunity to develop leadership skills while earning a college degree in their own community.

The program's growth also gives SWOSU another way to connect its students with the community around them.

Rogers said he believes strongly in the program and its ability to prepare young people for both military service and life beyond college.

The partnership between SWOSU and the Oklahoma National Guard has now lasted nearly two decades.

As the GOLD program continues to expand, its mission remains rooted in the same place where it began: preparing SWOSU students in Weatherford to become leaders

CRYPTOQUIP

J Z G M J U N Y G C V V N I U N U B X R R N E N , H A C V Z J N R U X Z G V S U W H X S R U V A N W K N R J F N R W V X M J B F ? H N K U N G J E I.

Friday's Cryptoquip: EVERYBODY SHOULD SEE THIS FILM ABOUT A BIG VISE-MANUFACTURING COMPANY. IT'S A GRIPPING STORY.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: G equals S

Wednesday's Cryptoquip: WHAT WOULD YOU CALL IT IF YOU HAVE DNA EVIDENCE THAT YOU'RE THE PARENT OF A BABY? CHILD PROOF.

SUDOKU

Answers to Wednesday's sudoku

8	4	6	3	1	7	2	9	5
3	9	2	4	6	5	7	1	8
5	7	1	9	2	8	3	4	6
4	5	8	6	9	2	1	3	7
2	6	9	7	3	1	5	8	4
7	1	3	8	5	4	9	6	2
9	2	5	1	8	6	4	7	3
1	8	4	2	7	3	6	5	9
6	3	7	5	4	9	8	2	1

Answers to Friday's sudoku

4	7	2	6	1	8	9	3	5
6	9	8	3	7	5	4	2	1
5	1	3	2	9	4	7	8	6
7	2	5	4	6	3	8	1	9
3	8	6	9	5	1	2	7	4
1	4	9	7	8	2	6	5	3
9	6	1	8	3	7	5	4	2
2	5	7	1	4	6	3	9	8
8	3	4	5	2	9	1	6	7

6		5				4	3	
					6			1
			2				9	6
		3	7					4
4	6		9		2		1	3
1					3	7		
3	5				8			
2			3					
	1	6				3		7

CROSSWORD

Across

1) Ear-related
6) French military cap
10) Nonstick kitchen spray
13) Pipe-unclogging brand
14) "Expletive deleted" sound
15) Air hero
16) Significant other
18) Inform on the mob
19) Outside the lab, say
20) Port near Gibraltar
22) AKC category
23) Soul singer Cooke
24) Online 'zine
26) Citrus-flavored soda
31) Like pieces in a kit
35) Cyclotron bit
36) Art deco great
37) One to vie with
38) Come-_ (lures)
39) Edgar who painted ballerinas
40) Birthstone for many Libras
41) Female rabbit
42) Attacks from all sides
43) Publisher of authorfinanced books
46) Marine One rider (Abbr.)
47) Fleur-de-_
48) Emissions-monitoring org.
51) _ pork (Chinese dish)
54) Fortified Portuguese wines
56) Half a sawbuck
57) 1962 hit for Bobby "Boris" Pickett
60) Senate vote
61) Often-quoted line
62) Take a sip of
63) Curator's concern
64) _-do-well
65) Lipstick mishap

Down

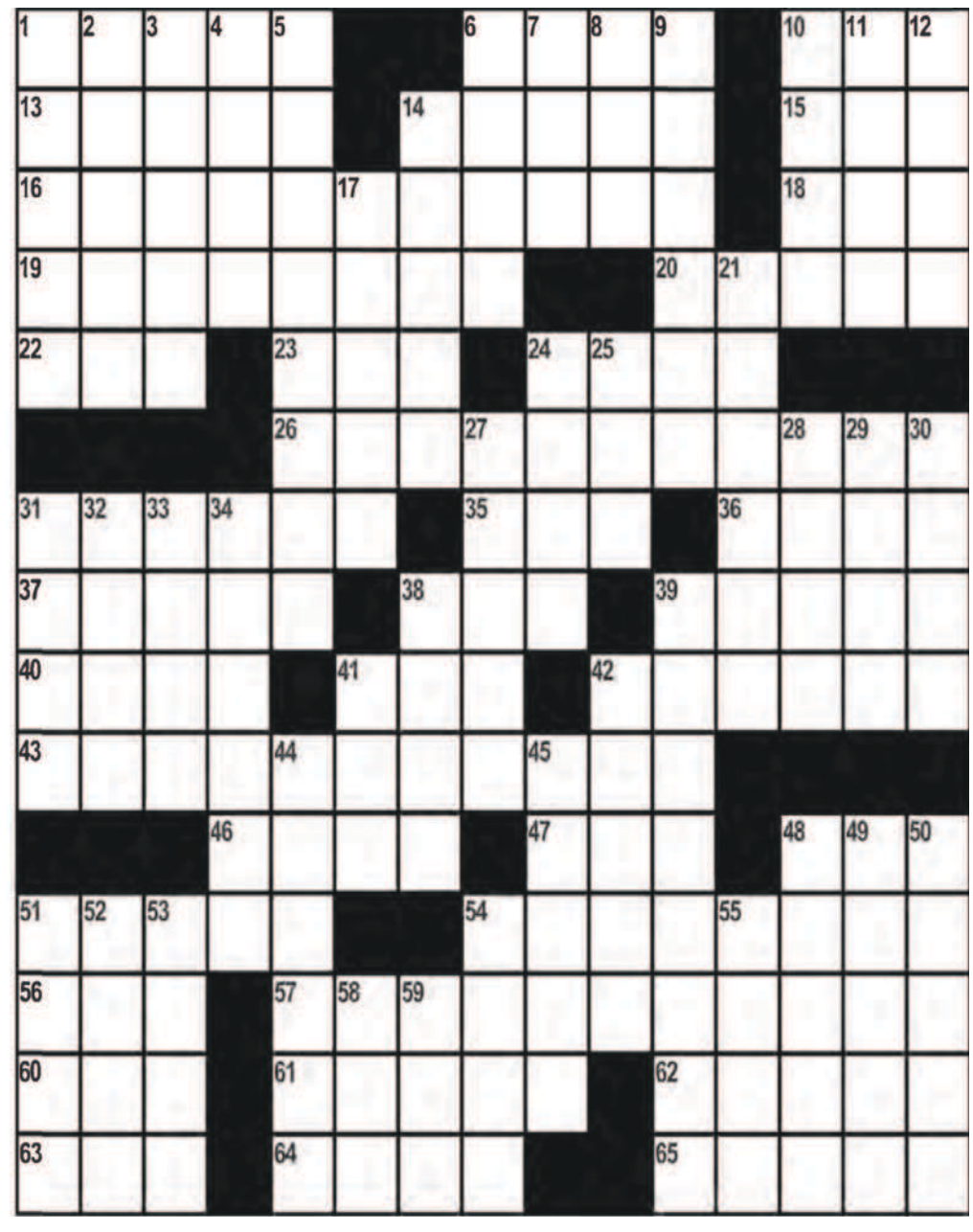
1) Fess up to
2) Heavenly prefix
3) Like Seattle's climate
4) Alamo capturer Santa _
5) One in need of salvation
6) Abstract artist Paul
7) Extra-wide, on a shoebox
8) Dispenser candy
9) Emetic drug
10) Cowpoke's pal
11) Trendy berry
12) French city on the Moselle
14) Myanmar, formerly
17) A bit less than a liter
21) Is in sync
24) Ids' complements
25) All chess pieces (even the queen!)
27) San Fran gridder
28) Twist the arm of
29) ASAP, in the ER
30) Pianist Dame Myra_
31) Alta. or Ont.
32) Co-host of Strahan
33) "Mrs. Bridge" author_ S. Connell
34) Muslim leader
38) Klutz's cry
39) Napoleons, bombes, etc.
41) Henna rinse, e.g.
42) Oft-forgotten part of a 45
44) "The buck stops here" president
45) Tickle pink
48) Wipe away
49) Shells, but not BBs
50) "My Name is _ Lev"
51) Yucatan dweller
52) Ride-requesting app
53) Do some ushering
54) Roman Cath. title
55) Mosque leader
58) "To a ..." poem
59) Dundee denial



Answers to Wednesday's crossword



Answers to Friday's crossword



Local sports



Tucker Stutzman (left) and Colt Pope (right) return after shooting clays during practice at Clinton Gun Club.

Right on target

Weatherford Shooting Team takes aim at success

Jack Lederman
WDN Reporter

Pull. Aim. Fire.

Weatherford High School's (WHS) FFA shooting program started with a handful of students and a few clay targets. Three years later, the Eagles are taking aim at some of Oklahoma's biggest competitions.

What started with around a dozen students in 2023 has developed into a Weatherford High School FFA shooting program with between 30 and 50 participants and a growing record of success.

Agricultural teacher and FFA chapter advisor Rhett Conkling helped start the program in 2023 during his first year teaching at Weatherford. He estimates 12 to 15 students initially showed interest. Today, that number has grown to about 30.

For Conkling, the growth has depended as much on the people behind the shooters as those pulling the trigger.

"This town really supports this program, and that's what's made it the way it is," Conkling said. "So it's been really good."

Weatherford offers trap and sporting clays, giving students different challenges throughout the year. Some members also compete in five-stand events.

In trap, shooters fire at clay targets moving away from them at varying angles. Sporting clays provide a different challenge, with shooters moving through stations that present targets from different directions.

Learning those disciplines takes more than competition days. Weatherford's shooting team spent plenty of time practicing, including a group that continued working throughout the summer.

"I had a group that was really driven this year, and they wanted to do the best they could," Conkling said. "So we practiced this summer, and we'll see how we do this year."

Most of practice takes place at Clinton Gun Club near Clinton Regional Airport. Volunteers prepare the facility and its equipment before the students take their positions.

Dwayne Stanley is one of those volunteers. He helps load traps and repair equipment while

• Please see **Trapshooting,** Page 16

Volleyball

• Continued from Page 11

The victory continued an impressive season for Weatherford, which has built a 21-4 record while competing in several tournaments and preparing for postseason play.

Loney recently earned a spot on the Bethany Invitational All-Tournament Team after helping Weatherford reach the championship match. The Lady Eagles went 4-1 at the tournament, with their only loss coming against host Bethany in the final.

Despite Weatherford's success, Loney said the Lady Eagles believe they have more room to improve over the final weeks of the season.

"I think it's going really well," Loney said. We have a 21-4 record. We've definitely improved as the season has gone on, and I'm excited to see how much better we can get in the next couple weeks."

Thursday's match offered Weatherford an opportunity to recognize Merkey, Loney and Taylor while also continuing its momentum heading toward the postseason.

For Loney, senior night also served as a reminder that her high school volleyball career is nearing its conclusion, but it might not mark the end of her time on the court.

Asked whether she hopes to continue playing after high school, Loney left the possibility open.

"If opportunity presents itself, yes," Loney said.

The Lady Eagles finish their regular season with three games on the road. Weatherford volleyball travels to Tecumseh Sept. 22, before the Lady Tigers in Tuttle Sept. 24. The final game of the regular season sees the Lady Eagles travel to Blanchard, whom they beat 2-0 earlier in the season at the Weatherford Classic.



NOTICE TO ABATE A PUBLIC NUISANCE

September 18, 2026

A hearing is scheduled on the **29th Day of September 29, 2026, 5:15 pm, Blair Hall**, before the City Commission for the City of Weatherford, Oklahoma, at the City Hall, Weatherford, Oklahoma, for the purpose of determining if the public nuisance at the described property shall be abated. If the City commission determines that said public nuisance shall be abated, the costs of such abatement shall be assessed against the owner and a lien imposed upon the property to secure such payment, and or issue a citation.

Therefore, any subsequent occurence of the public nuisance condition(s) cited above on the owner's property within six (6) months from and after the date of this Notice may be summarily abated by the City, that the costs of such abatement shall be assessed against the owner, and that a lien may be imposed on the property to secure such payment, all without further prior notice to the property owner.

If you wish to contest any part of this, you should appear at the previously mentioned time and date before the City Commission.

City of Weatherford, Oklahoma
By: /s/ Krissi Haag
Krissi Haag, Code Enforcement

PUBLIC NUISANCE
Abatement Hearing September 29, 2026, 5:15 pm

Sylvia Esjornson
614 E Eureka
Weatherford, OK 73096
RE: 1011 N Caddo

Introducing: a new opportunity for FINANCIAL CONFIDENCE

We are excited to be your guide through the ever-changing world of finance. With years of experience navigating market highs and lows, we are here to help lead you through investments, tax planning, insurance, and more for your security and confidence.
Count on us for continuous support, education, and guidance to ensure your plan always aligns with your ultimate financial purpose.



Chip Anderson
FINANCIAL ADVISOR
West Oak Wealth
(580)302-6700 • chip@westoakwealth.com
www.WestOakWealth.com

Here's My Card

Call 580-772-3301 & get your business card listed here today!

WEATHERFORD EYECARE CENTER



Alexis Cardenas

1545 Washington Street • Weatherford, OK 73096 • 580-772-2819 Fax 580-772-2805
www.visionsource-weather.com weyecare@gmail.com

DANNYBLACK REAL ESTATE



Danny Black
405.268.7000
danny@dannyblack.com
www.dannyblack.com

Ridgewood Hills
Rough Creek Estates
Acreage Homesites
Northeast of Weatherford



Local Sports

Lady Eagles swing past Lady Irish, 10-5

Joey Ross
WDN Reporter

The Weatherford Lady Eagles continued their strong stretch at the plate Thursday night, using a pair of home runs from Joss Schulz and a 10-hit offensive performance to defeat the Bishop McGuinness Lady Irish 10-5 on the road.

Schulz finished the night with two home runs and five RBIs, providing Weatherford with a pair of big offensive swings while helping the Lady Eagles pull away from Bishop McGuinness.

The victory gave Weatherford another strong offensive performance during a season where the Lady Eagles have shown an ability to produce runs in bunches.

Weatherford wasted little time getting on the scoreboard.

Caylyn Schmidt reached on a fielder's choice in the top of the first inning, followed by a single down the left-field line from Karsyn Hix. Whitlee Jones then delivered a sacrifice fly, helping Weatherford establish an early advantage.

The Lady Eagles continued building their lead in the second inning.

Schulz stepped to the plate and connected on a three-run home run to center field, giving Weatherford a four-run cushion and putting the offense in control early.

The home run was the first of two long balls for Schulz during the contest.

Bishop McGuinness continued to battle offensively, but Weatherford maintained its advantage behind Hix in the circle.

Hix opened the game as Weatherford's starting pitcher and worked all seven innings. She surrendered eight hits and five runs while striking out four and walking two.

Despite allowing several hits, Hix worked through the Bishop McGuinness lineup and kept the Lady Eagles in front throughout the contest.

Weatherford added another two runs in the top of the sixth inning, once again courtesy of Schulz.

Schulz launched her second home run of the game, this time sending a two-run shot to left field. The blast pushed Weatherford's lead to 10-5 and gave the Lady Eagles additional breathing room heading into the final inning.

Schulz's performance became the centerpiece of the Weatherford offense.

Her two home runs accounted for five of the Lady Eagles' runs batted in, while her production provided a spark throughout the lineup.

Weatherford also received a strong contribution from the top of its batting order.

Cora Hamons led the Lady Eagles with three hits in five at-bats from the leadoff position. Her performance helped set the table for the middle of Weatherford's lineup and gave the Lady Eagles several opportunities to generate offense.

Hix also produced at the plate, collecting two hits in three at-bats.

The Lady Eagles finished with 10 hits as a team, spreading the offensive production throughout the lineup while taking advantage of opportunities against Bishop McGuinness pitching.

Bishop McGuinness opened the game with Madelyn Milligan in the circle. Milligan worked one-third of an inning, allowing three hits and three runs while walking two.

Weatherford's early pressure forced a pitching change before the Lady Eagles continued adding to their lead.

The Lady Eagles' offense ultimately proved difficult for Bishop McGuinness to contain, especially with Schulz producing multiple extra-base hits and Weatherford consistently putting runners on base.

Weatherford's ability to score in multiple innings also kept the pressure on the Lady Irish.

After taking an early lead in the first inning, the Lady Eagles received another major boost from Schulz in the second. Weatherford then returned to the scoreboard in the sixth, giving the Lady Eagles an opportunity to close out the road victory with a comfortable advantage.

Bishop McGuinness managed to score five runs during the game, but Hix and the Weatherford defense kept the Lady Irish from completing a comeback.

Hix finished the game with four strikeouts and limited Bishop McGuinness to five runs over seven innings.

The victory also highlighted the Lady Eagles' ability to win away from home while continuing to produce offensively.

Weatherford entered the contest following a stretch of strong performances at the plate, including a 10-3 victory over Bishop McGuinness at Rader Park earlier in the season.

The Lady Eagles once again found success against the Irish, this time producing 10 runs on 10 hits during Thursday's road matchup.

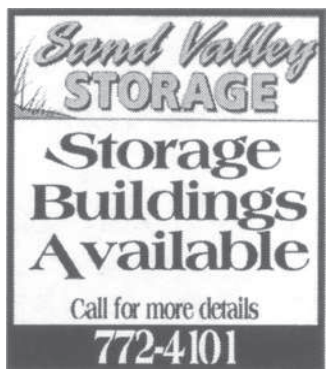
Schulz's two-homer performance gave Weatherford the offensive spark, while Hamons and Hix provided additional production near the top of the lineup.

With the victory, Weatherford added another win to its season record and continued its push through the schedule.

For Weatherford, the road win offered another example of the team's offensive capabilities, with Schulz supplying the biggest hits and Hix delivering a complete-game effort in the circle.

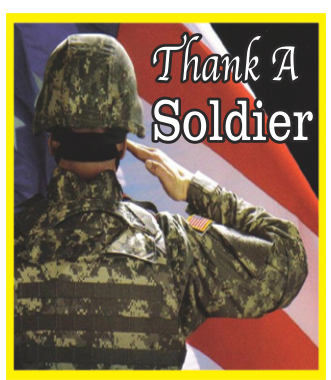
The Lady Eagles will return home Monday for their next matchup against Woodward. Weatherford will look to carry the momentum from Thursday's road victory into the home contest as the season continues.











Trapshooting



Weatherfor High School Future Farmers of America members practice skeet shooting at Clinton Gun Club Sept. 16.

• Continued from Page 14

getting the range ready for shooters.

"I load the trap and repair the cannon," Stanley said. "Some of the other guys volunteer. We load the trap and set up the equipment."

Stanley said Weatherford has regularly brought its team to the facility for about a year, after Tin Star Shooting Range in Weatherford shut down.

"We're getting pretty good attendance, and there's pretty good interest from different teams around," Stanley said.

Stanley believes the level of youth shooting in Oklahoma makes the competition especially challenging for programs such as Weatherford.

"Oklahoma has the most competitive group of youth shooters in the country," Stanley said. "If not the best, right at the top. We're drawing a lot of interest statewide."

The Eagles recently competed in a trap shoot held in conjunction with the Custer County Free Fair Sept. 13 for the fair's 100-year anniversary. Weatherford finished first and second in the team competition. Weatherford Shooting Team members also claimed the top three individual spots.

Colt Pope has been around for nearly the entire development of the program. He started shooting as a freshman and is now a senior.

Those years have meant plenty of travel. Pope said the team competes in multiple shooting disciplines during the school year, bringing early mornings and trips to ranges across Oklahoma.

For Pope, those experiences have also helped create a bond among Weatherford's shooters.

"My favorite part is the camaraderie," Pope said. "The team, together, makes it really enjoyable."

Weatherford's recent success has extended beyond the county level.

The team competed in the Oklahoma Youth Expo Shotgun Sports preliminaries earlier this month. Weatherford placed among the top 10 in the state, qualifying for the finals Sept. 23.

The 2026 OYE Shotgun Sports competition is open to Oklahoma FFA and 4-H members in grades seven through 12. The trap preliminaries were held Sept. 1-2 at Twin Lakes Trap Club in Shawnee. The finals are scheduled for Silverleaf Shotgun Sports in Guthrie Sept. 23.

Once the OYE trap competition is finished, Weatherford will shift its focus back toward sporting clays. Conkling said the team plans to spend about a month preparing for an FFA sporting clays competition later in the fall.

Competition formats change depending on the discipline. Conkling said fall trap teams consist of five shooters, while sporting clays uses four-person teams. Individual awards are also available at some trap competitions.

As participation has increased, so have the resources required to keep Weatherford shooting. Ammunition is an ongoing expense, and regular practice requires access to a functioning range.

Conkling credited Matt Wilson at Tin Star and Jeff Barker in Clinton with helping get the program started. He also pointed to fellow Weatherford agricultural teacher Dina Felasco for his support.

Parents and other community members have contributed as well.

"We've had numerous people donate money and shells to us," Conkling said.

Three years after Weatherford first took aim, the targets are still flying.





