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Wednesday, May 13, 1998

Webbers Falls 8th Graders win academic state championship



Pictured above is the 1997-98 Class A/B 8th Grade Academic State Champions from Webbers Falls. Members include (front row, left to right) Kyle Wooten, A.J. Pearson, and Kelly Barnes; (back row, left to right) Andrea Chappell and Coach Patricia Carter.

Just like the World Champion Chicago Bulls, the 8th Grade Academic Pursuit Team from Webbers Falls, consisting of Andrea Chappell, Kyle Wooten, Kelly Barnes, and A.J. Pearson, pulled off a repeat performance, capturing the Class A/B State Academic Championship for the second year in a row, at the University of Oklahoma in Norman on May 2. The same group won the title last year as seventh graders.

However, according to Patricia Carter, coach of the academic team, the double-elimination contest wasn't without some controversy.

At the beginning of the state meet, Webbers Falls vanquished Oilton, 250-195, and then crushed one of the top seeds, Grandview, 220-125, to advance to the third round.

The plot thickened at that point, as the Warriors squared off against Marlow, who ended up defeated WFS, 245-205. At the conclusion of the match, two of the members from

Webbers Falls found out that Marlow was in Class 3A and wasn't supposed to be in this division.

However, Webbers Falls was placed in the loser's bracket, where they defeated Bradford, 210-175, before Rock Creek appeared to eliminate the Warriors, 210-175, in the next loser's bracket contest.

But it was determined that Rock Creek had also been placed in the loser's bracket by a team who wasn't supposed to be in the Class A/B Division, Pioneer, who should have been in the Class 2A division.

So the organizers decided that the tournament was too far along to start all over so they had Marlow and Pioneer to play each other for a separate championship and voided both Rock Creek's and Webbers Falls' losses to the bigger schools, making the two schools still undefeated. In fact, they were the only two schools left from the smaller class, so they played for the Class A/B Champion-

ship.

In the first game, the determined Warriors revenged their earlier loss to Rock Creek, 235-180, to leave the two schools playing in a final match to determine the Class A/B champion.

"It was a tight game," Carter commented. "We were just five points at half, but we got twenty points in the last lightning round, while they only got ten points, and that was the difference, as we won by a score of 195-180."

"Last year, we were seeded and it was a lot easier to win. This year, it was definitely tougher. But my kids were very well prepared for the state tournament," Carter stated.

"I think that this group of kids can three-peat. They each know each other's strong points... Andrea's a good speller, A.J. is good in science and sports, Kelly is good in current events, civics and geography, and Kyle excels in math and general knowledge, answering 94 questions in 7 games."

"Our teachers are doing something right. They did a good job of preparing them," Carter concluded.

The team profiles are as follows:

Andrea Chappell - age 14, daughter of Larry and Pam Chappell of Webbers Falls. Likes to play basketball, show livestock, go shopping and chase boys.

Kyle Wooten - age 14, son of Tony Wooten of Sallisaw and Rachelle Schonholtz of Webbers Falls. Likes to play basketball, football, baseball, sleep, and go to the skating rink in

Sallisaw.

Kelly Barnes - age 14, son of John and Linda Barnes of Webbers Falls. Likes to play basketball, football, show pigs, enjoys the academic team and public speaking, and likes to chase wild women.

A.J. Pearson - age 14, son of Art and Kim Pearson of Gore. Likes to play basketball, baseball and Nintendo.

"We knew that we were going to win," stated A.J. Kelly added, "However, there was more pressure on us but we knew we were going to win."

"Losing to Marlow made us play harder. We were made about losing to Marlow because they were a bigger school, but we knew that Rock Creek couldn't beat us twice," Kelly continued.

When asked if there was any extra pressure because she is the only girl on the team, Andrea replied, "I feel a little intimidated because of all of the boys, and I wish we had some more girls, but we all get along really well."

"I think that we can win it all again next year. We got the talent and the want-to. But everyone is out to get us. It is a conspiracy," Kyle interjected.

The group said that the coaching really prepared them for the tournament. "Mrs. Carter practiced us twice a week and constantly works with us. Most schools don't have a coach as dedicated as Mrs. Carter is. Mr. Harp (aka Digger) also helped us out a bunch. He taught us a lot of things," A.J. concluded.

Porum nearly wins state title

The #1-ranked Class 3A Porum Lady Panther softball team gained the finals of the state tournament but the bounces in the final went Davenport's way as the Lady Bulldogs captured the state title with a 9-6 victory Thursday afternoon at the ASA Softball Hall of Fame Stadium in Oklahoma City.

The Lady Panthers began the state tournament Wednesday afternoon at Reaves Park in Norman as they received a stiff challenge from Dewar.

Early in the contest, it appeared that Porum would cruise to a quick victory, as the Lady Panthers scored three runs in the bottom of the 1st inning. Robin Doke walked, moved to third on an error of Heidi Shoemaker's hit to the outfield, and then scored on Jenni Whitman's single to right, which moved Shoemaker to third. A sacrifice fly by Leah Purdom moved Whitman to second, then both Shoemaker and Whitman scored on an error on Machel Thornton's grounder to second.

However, Dewar scored four runs in the top of the 3rd to take the lead. Porum responded with a run in the bottom of the inning as Shoemaker opened with a double to center. Whitman followed with another double, this time to right, but Shoemaker was tagged out at home attempting to score, and Whitman

See Porum Nearly Wins on page 5

Connors employees to retire this spring

WARNER - Five employees at Connors State College will be retiring at the end of the 1998 spring semester.

They are instructors Jim Adamek in mathematics, Bernice Simeroth in business, Esther Lowery in business, Ellen Vinson in humanities, and Bobby Collins, who was the school's switchboard operator.

Adamek, a retired U.S. Naval officer, served as head of the math department for seven years and taught algebra, trigonometry, calculus, general physical and engineering physics for ten years. He developed the math lab and adopted the pre-testing math policy for placement purposes. Adamek has served on the Checotah City Council for three years.

Simeroth taught at CSC for 26 1/2 years after teaching at Blue Jacket and Stigler public schools for seven years. She holds an AA from Connors and bachelor's and master's degrees from Northeastern State University. Simeroth served as secretary to the Oklahoma Association of Community College for four years

and has been active in Delta Kappa Gamma, Kappa Kappa Iota, and the Connors Former Students Alumni Association.

Vinson, who holds bachelor's and master's degrees from NSU, taught at Boynton, Muskogee Central and Tulsa East Central high schools and Muskogee Indian Capital Vo-Tech before coming to CSC in 1975. She also did post-graduate work at Tulsa and Oklahoma State universities. She has been active in the Oklahoma Education Association, HEACO, OACJC, the National Business Education Association and Delta Kappa Gamma.

Vinson attended CSC and holds a BA from NSU while receiving a master's degree in 1985. Coming to CSC in 1989, she has taught English, speech and humanities. She was the 1969 CSC Distinguished Student honoree and the 1970-71 NSC Honors Society Award recipient while being active in Alpha Chi and Sigma Tau Delta.

Collins has been employed at CSC for 20 years.



The 1998 Mr. and Miss CSC, Jeremy Jackson and Heather Scott, are shown with CSC President Dr. Ron Garner after receiving their awards.

Warner grads receive Connors' top award

WARNER - Led by Mr. and Miss CSC, Jeremy Jackson and Heather Scott, both of Warner, Connors State College honored its outstanding students for 1997-98.

Jackson was active in the President's Leadership Class while Scott was a Cowgirl cheerleader for two years and conducted summer clinics.

Outstanding officer for PTK was Davi Bufford of Ponca City, while Rachael Matthews of Checotah and Sheri Waldron of Warner were named outstanding Mu Chi members.

New President's Leadership Class incoming students are Crystal Boyd of Gore, Madelyn Brandt of Warner, Dusty George of Oktaha, Cray Jordan of Hulbert, Jennifer Patterson of Porum, Meghan Roe of Warner, Amber Runyon and Christina Snider, both of Checotah, and Lesley Thetford of Holdenville.

Shawna Anzlovar of Stigler won the drama award while Shawn Presley of Seminole copped the debate award and Jamie Jenkins was named Ms. McClarren Hall.

Le Greul of Muskogee was the Delta Kappa Gamma Scholarship recipient, while Triena Phifer of Muskogee was the reading award

recipient.

The Spanish Award went to Erin Kuba while Cory Adcock of Stigler won the science award. Excellence in Nursing went to Dena Cornett of Muskogee for leadership, Brenda Wilkerson and Kara Pitman, both of Muskogee, and Kay Enkey of Haskell for nursing care, and Bonnie House of Checotah for excellence in nursing.

Jim Bridges of Muskogee was honored in engineering and mathematics, while Melissa Bailey of Warner took the creative writing award. The literature award went to Chenani Arterberry of Muskogee while John Borges of Porum was named the outstanding English major. Krista Wiles of Checotah garnered the child development award.

Student senate leaders honored were Jenkins, president pro temp; Dana Fusco of Warner, treasurer; and Joy Fulton of Oktaha, secretary, while Brett Miller and Lai Andrea Granger were named outstanding male/female students of the Muskogee Campus.

Kelleigh Sanders of Elgin and Dustin Tedesco of Moore were named Academic All-Americans with Dustin being honored as a Distinguished Academic All-American.



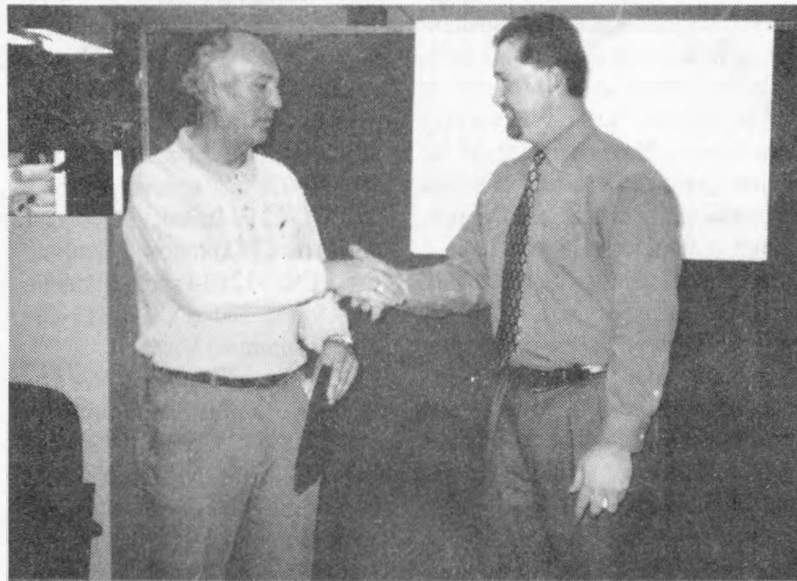
Warner Lady Eagle track coaches Leann Barnwell and John Turnbull stand with the 3200 meter relay team, consisting of Miley Turnbull, Karly Roberts, Morgan McAffrey and Stephanie Gleese, Friday afternoon after the relay team set a new state record time of 9:50.77 to capture gold in the Class 2A race at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond.

WHS edged out by Plainview for team title

The Warner High School Lady Eagle track team gavedefending team champion Plainview all that they wanted, but Plainview's points in the field events were just a little too much for the Lady Eagles to overcome Saturday afternoon as the Lady Indians won their 9th 2A title by 16

points, 79 to 63, with Madill placing third with 62 points. However, the Lady Eagles still managed to take home a state title to go with their runner-up award, as they were declared the Class 2A Girls State Academic Champions with an unbelievable 3.96 grade point average.

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Warner Mayor Troy Duncan is shown receiving a certificate and lapel pin for 25 years of service as a board member of the Warner Town Council from Oklahoma Municipal League Board Member Jay Hayes.

Duncan receives prestigious honor

Warner Mayor Troy Duncan was honored at the May 5th Council Meeting with a certificate and a lapel pin for 25 years of service as a board member of the Town Council. The presentation was made by Oklahoma Municipal League Board Member Jay Hayes, who is the Mayor of Checotah.

Duncan's name has been placed on the honor roll of service with the Oklahoma Municipal League due to his extensive tenure in office.

He was first elected to office in April 1973. He has contributed a great deal to the town of Warner through his many years of service to the vibrant community.

**Muskogee County
Transit System Schedule**

**Driver, Evelyn Wooten
(918) 464-2413**
8 am.-2:30 pm.: Porum to Muskogee,
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8 am.-2:30 pm.: Wameto Muskogee,
Tuesday and Friday, 464-2413.
8 am.-2:30 pm.: Webbers Falls to
Muskogee, Wednesday, 464-2413.
Cost - \$1.50 Round Trip
Nutrition Route - District 2
Warner-Webbers Falls: Monday,
Wednesday, & Friday - 10:00-2:00.
Porum-Webbers Falls: Tuesday &
Thursday - 10:00-2:00. For more in-
formation, call (918) 682-1721.

Family Dance

Every Monday night, 7-10 pm.,
Eufaula Community Center. Music
by Ted Goforth and the Lakesiders.

Meetings

Webbers Falls Lodge

The Webbers Falls Masonic
Lodge #14 meets on the second and
fourth Mondays of every month at 7
pm. at the lodge building.

Porum Lodge

The Porum Masonic Lodge
#351 meets on the first Thursday of
every month at 7 pm. at the lodge
building.

**Webbers Falls VFW
Bean Dinners**

The Webbers Falls Veterans of
Foreign Wars Post #4609 Auxiliary
holds a bean dinner the second Fri-
day of each month with the public
invited to attend.

Webbers Falls PTA

The Webbers Falls Parent/
Teacher Association meet on the third
Monday of every month at the
Webbers Falls Cafeteria at 7 pm.

Tentative Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Warner Board of Education - May 4, 1998

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Warner Public School commenced at 6:32 pm. on Monday, May 4, 1998 in the Administration Building. Notice of the meeting was given to the County Clerk of Muskogee County, Oklahoma pursuant to and in compliance with the Oklahoma Open Meeting Act, Title 25 OKLA.STAT (1981) §301 et. seq. and by posting the agenda of the meeting at the principal office of the district more than twenty-four (24) hours in advance of the meeting, excluding Saturday and Sunday.

The meeting was called to order by Roger Thomason, President.

The President directed that the roll be called. The following Board Members were present: Roger Thomason, Charles Smithson, Mike Jackson, and Donald Kusler.

Terry Thompson addressed the Board at this time regarding the Baseball program.

Vick Sharp addressed the Board regarding the Softball program.

Larry Scott joined the meeting at 6:55 pm.

A motion made by Smithson, seconded by Scott, to approve the consent agenda consisting of a, b, c, d, & e of agenda. Voting for approval was unanimous.

No report from WCTA or PTA organizations.

Booster Club representative reminded everyone that the All-Sports Banquet was on May 10, 1998 at 1:00 pm. in the High School Student Union.

A motion made by Jackson, seconded by Smithson, to approve fund raisers as presented. Voting for approval was unanimous.

A motion made by Jackson, seconded by Smithson, to approve a contract with Jack Jenkins, CPA, as auditor for Warner Public Schools for the 1998-1999 school year. Voting for approval was unanimous.

A motion made by Smithson, seconded by Scott, to approve yearly contract with Municipal Accounting Systems for accounting software and service to the district for the 1998-1999 school year. Voting for approval was unanimous.

A motion made by Jackson, seconded by Scott, to approve warrants for the 1997-1998 General Fund #2194-#2604 and 1997-1998 Child Nutrition #180-#225. Voting for approval was unanimous.

A motion made by Smithson, seconded by Kusler, to convene in Executive Session to discuss confidential communications with school attorney, and discuss support personnel. Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes 307 (B)(1). Voting for approval was unanimous. Time: 7:10 pm.

A motion made by Smithson, seconded by Scott, to return meeting to Open Session. Voting for approval was unanimous. Time: 9:35 pm.

The President made statement of minute of Executive Session that the Board discussed confidential communications with school attorney and discussed support personnel. Title 25 Oklahoma Statutes 307 (B)(1).

Mr. Piper reported on honors for the Seniors and scholarships to be awarded.

No new business.

A motion made by Smithson, seconded by Jackson, to approve that all items on the May 4, 1998 agenda have been addressed. Voting for approval was unanimous.

A motion made by Jackson, seconded by Scott, to adjourn the meeting. Voting for approval was unanimous. Time: 9:45 pm. The next board meeting will be held on June 1, 1998 at 6:30 pm.

Project coordinates GED programs

Many adults in the southern
part of Muskogee County have taken
advantage of the opportunity to con-
tinue their education through the GED
programs that are coordinated by the
S.T.A.R. Project.

"The students progress at their
own speed and are not pressured to
test until the student and the instruc-
tor agree that they are ready," stated
Larry E. Oats, S.T.A.R. Project Di-
rector.

The GED classes are offered
on Tuesday and Thursday evening
from 5-8 pm. at Porum High School
and on Tuesday and Thursday eve-
ning from 6-9 pm. at Warner High
School. Students may enroll in classes
and begin at any time.

In addition to coordinating the
classes, the S.T.A.R. Project offers
free evening child care to parents that
are enrolled in the GED classes or
any other educational pursuit. Infor-
mation concerning the GED program
and child care or any other S.T.A.R.
Project program can be obtained by
contacting Larry E. Oats at (918)
463-2931.

**Warner students
fare well in meet**

Students from Warner Eleme-
ntary and Warner Middle School re-
cently participated in the Hubert
Academic Meet, which had a total of
eleven schools participating.

Placings are as follows for
students in grades 3-8: **Math** - Tony
Hayes, Logan Collins, and John Gle-
ese, 1st; Bradlee Ross, Jonathan
Caudle, and Liz Blanchet, 3rd; Amy
Branam, 6th; **Language Arts** - Tara
Mills, 1st; Kelsey Norred, 2nd; Kim
Fletcher, 3rd; Chelsea Hayes, 4th;
Hillary Lawrence, Lacey Fletcher,
and Liz Blanchet, 6th; **Social Studies**
- Bradlee Ross, 1st; Tony Hayes and
Leslie Berryhill, 2nd; Brenden Jones
and Holly Raines, 4th; Liane Ed-
wards, 5th; **Science** - Liane Edwards,
2nd; Logan Collins, and Alicia Jones,
4th; Blake Gorman, 5th.


Others participants were:
Chelsea Chesser, Julie Henderson,
Eric Stout, Jaclyn Toney, Julie Stroud,
Tosha King, Jared Meschberger,
Ashley Bushey, Desiree Huenergardt,
Heather Keith, Delsey Devin, Tricia
Brown, Leslea Fitzgerald, Lacey
Rowland, Ashley Morris, and Distin
Kusler.

**Muskogee Co. EMS
offers CPR classes**

In honor of National Emer-
gency Services Week, May 17-23,
1998, the Muskogee County EMS
will be offering free CPR classes to
the public. The first event will be on
May 16, 1998 at Arrowhead Mall in
Muskogee. The times for the classes
are as follows: Adult CPR, 10 am. or
2 pm.; and Infant and Child CPR, 12
pm. or 4 pm. All classes are two
hours in length. Class space is lim-
ited so please sign up early at the
mall.

Also, during the week of May
17-23, 1998, EMS will offer free
CPR classes at their central station.
These classes are at various times
and levels throughout the week. Class
space is limited so please call 683-
0130 to register.

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A Weekly column by
Governor Frank Keating



Spending Your Money

With just two weeks to go in
the 1998 legislative session,
we're getting down to the
important business of how to
spend your money. There are
some significant differences in
proposals put forth by the
Democratic leadership and by my
administration and the House and
Senate Republicans.

On April 29, the Democrats
proposed spending some \$450
million, including about \$150
million from the Rainy Day
Fund.

They persisted in trying to
allocate one-time Rainy Day
money to pay for recurring
expenses. They also said nothing
about tax cuts.

I joined the legislative
Republicans in proposing a very
different set of priorities.

Priority one was reasonable
tax cuts. Oklahoma has enjoyed
large budget increases in recent
years, and it's time for you to
keep some of the money you
earn.

We also proposed
significant increases in spending
on higher and common
education, law enforcement,

water quality and to offset
insurance premium increases for
state and education employees.
My budget plan also includes pay
raises for state employees and
career teachers, to take effect on
July 1.

Those increases in spending
would be tied to real reforms,
like adding advanced placement
classes in all Oklahoma high
schools and tying them to the
ONENET computer system. I
have also insisted that the
proposed record budget for
higher education go directly to
the classroom and not be used to
increase administrative costs.

I will support the use of
Rainy Day money to fund
one-time expenses, such as new
roads and state trooper cars -- but
not for items that will recur next
year. You don't use the piggy
bank to pay routine expenses.

The differences are clear:
the Democrats want to spend
everything they can and forget
the need to provide tax relief for
Oklahoma's citizens.

My budget plan sets real
priorities -- including tax cuts.

Let your legislator know
how you want your money spent.

WFS student accepts OSU scholarship

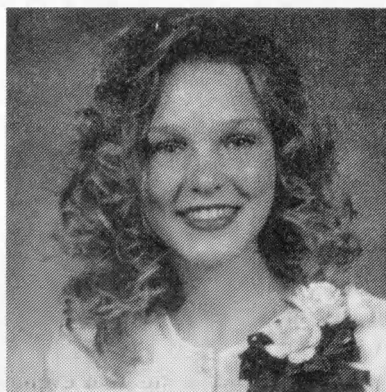
Trenda Kathleen Briley of
Vian, a senior at Webbers Falls High
School, has accepted the 1998 Okla-
homa State University Valedictorian
Scholarship.

Since the Class of 1993, all
Oklahoma high school valedictori-
ans have been eligible to receive
nearly the complete costs of tuition
for four years to attend OSU. The
scholarship package is worth up to
\$6,000 per student.

"The high school principal or
superintendent must certify by grade
point average or class rank that stu-
dents have been designated as valed-
ictorian for their high school class
in order to be eligible for this prestig-
ious scholarship," said Dr. Robert
Graalman, director of the OSU Of-
fice of University Scholarships.

The scholarship is awarded to
eligible students who apply for ad-
mission to OSU and submit the Fresh-
man Scholarship Form by February
2, 1998.

"OSU is happy to recognize
these students for their highest level
of achievement among students from
Oklahoma high schools," Graalman
said. "Since 1983, OSU Valedicto-
rian Scholars have been the top per-



Trenda Kathleen Briley
formaners on the OSU campus and
have included numerous nationally
recognized scholars. We know that
they will continue to perform well,
achieve their goals, and become some
of OSU's best graduates in the fu-
ture."

Briley, the daughter of
Duwayne and Kathie Briley of Vian,
plans to major in pre-medicine at
OSU. She is president of the Student
Council, president of 4-H, president
of the National Honor Society, presi-
dent of the Senior Class, president of
Youth Alive, is listed in Who's Who
in Sports and Who's Who Among
American High School Students, and
was named to All-State in basketball.

Deadline nears for project proposals

The USDA is inviting groups
and individuals to submit project
proposals for the new Conservation
Farm Option Program (CFO). The
CFO is the final conservation pro-
gram to be implemented from the
1996 Farm Bill. The CFO is intended
to promote innovative and environ-
mentally-sound methods of address-
ing resource concerns and sustain-
able agricultural production practices.

According to Steve Clark at
the Muskogee Natural Resources
Conservation Service office, to be
eligible for the CFO, participants must
be producers of wheat, feed grains,
upland cotton, or rice and have a
production flexibility contract with
the USDA Farm Services. Producers
must agree to forgo all payments from
the Conservation Service Program,
Wetlands Reserve Program, and
Environmental Quality Incentives
Program in lieu of receiving an an-
nual payment over a ten year period.
Producers will continue to receive
their production flexibility contract
payments.

Project proposals will be de-
veloped to meet the following re-
source concerns: Conservation of
soil, water, and related resources;
water quality protection and improve-
ments; wetland restoration, protec-

tion, and creation; and wildlife habi-
tat development and protection.
Individuals and groups may submit
proposals. Proposal forms and fur-
ther information is available at the
Muskogee County Conservation
District or Natural Resources Con-
servation Service office located at
3001 Azalea Park Drive (in Univer-
sity Heights Center). The deadline to
have the proposals to the national
NRCS office is June 1, 1998.

NRCS field offices have cop-
ies of the CFO Proposed Rule, CFO,
CFO-Notice of Request for Propo-
sals, CCC-1210-Instructions for com-
pleting the CFO proposal submission
form, CCC-1210-Proposal submis-
sion form, and CCC-12111-CFO
scoring summary sheet.

Comments on the proposed rule
for the CFO must be submitted by
June 1, 1998. A copy of the rule is
available at the NRCS/MCCD of-
fices or may be accessed and com-
ments submitted on the Internet.
Users can access the NRCS home-
page at <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov>.
The proposed rule is located on the
menu for the 1996 Farm Bill Conser-
vation Programs.

If you have questions regard-
ing this program, please call 918-
682-0151 or 687-3478.

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Webbers Falls High School

The Valedictorian and Co-Salutatorians have been named for the graduating class of 1998 at Webbers Falls High School.

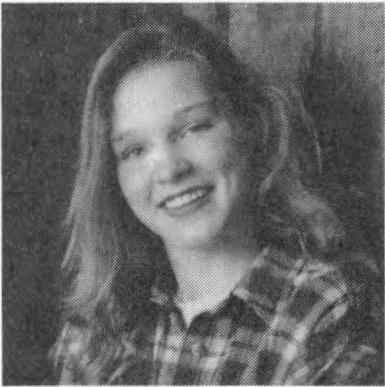
Trenda Kathleen Briley has been named as the valedictorian. She will graduate with a 4.00 GPA and an Academic Honors Diploma. She is the daughter of Duwayne and Kathie Briley and the granddaughter of Peter and Jewell Hubler and the late George and Esther Briley.

She is currently serving as Student Council President, Senior Class President, National Honor Society President, 4-H President, and Youth Alive President. She is a member of the Oklahoma Honor Society and the Safe School Committee. She has also been named to Who's Who Among American High School Students and Who's Who in Sports. Trenda has been a member of the Lady Warrior basketball team for four years and the softball team for three years. She has recently been named as an All-Stater in basketball. Trenda is an active member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints in Gore.

Trenda will be attending Connors State College in the fall and plans to major in Accounting.

Kristy Michele Hubler is the co-salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class. She is the daughter of Rick and Karen Hubler and the granddaughter of John and Retha Hubler of Haskell and Verl and Aylene Elair of Braggs. She is graduating with a 3.96 GPA and a certificate of completion from Indian Capital Vo-Tech.

Kristy has attended Indian Capital Vo-Tech in the Business and Computer Technology Program for two years, where she was an active member of the Future Business Lead-

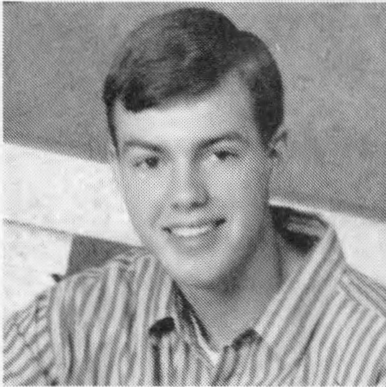


Trenda Kathleen Briley



Kristy Michele Hubler is the co-salutatorian of the 1998 graduating class. She is the daughter of Rick and Karen Hubler and the granddaughter of John and Retha Hubler of Haskell and Verl and Aylene Elair of Braggs. She is graduating with a 3.96 GPA and a certificate of completion from Indian Capital Vo-Tech.

Kristy's accomplishments include: a seven year member and current Vice-President of her local 4-H Club; a three year member and current Secretary of National Honor Society; Senior Class Secretary; National Vocational Technical Honor Society member; Who's Who Among Oklahoma FBLA members; Superintendent's and Principal's Honor Rolls; an All-American Vocational



Jerry Wayne Brewer

Student for two consecutive years; the Webbers Falls School Newspapers Editor; and was voted by classmates as being the Most Likely To Succeed.

Kristy plans to attend Connors State College this fall to major in accounting. She is currently employed with Rangeline Arena and Charlie's Chicken.

Jerry Wayne Brewer has been named as a Co-Salutatorian at Webbers Falls High School. He will graduate with a 3.96 GPA and an Academic Honors Diploma. He is the son of Jean Brewer of Webbers Falls and Buddy Brewer Jr. of Houston, Texas. He is also the grandson of Leon and Mae Jennings and Buddy Brewer Sr. and the late Jerri Fleming.

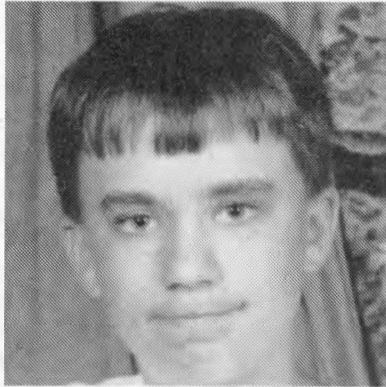
Jerry is currently serving as Vice President of the National Honor Society and the Senior Class. He is also active in Student Council, 4-H, and Youth Alive. Jerry has been a member of the Warrior basketball team for three years, the baseball team for two years, and the football team for one year. He recently was named as an Academic All-Stater in basketball.

He will attend Connors State College, majoring in Engineering.

Kyle Wooten has been named as the Valedictorian of the 8th Grade Class at Webbers Falls Public Schools. He is the son of Toney and Daphney Wooten of Sallisaw and Rachelle and Ralph Schonholtz of Webbers Falls. He has two brothers, Tyler Wooten of Webbers Falls, and Zack Wooten of Sallisaw.

Kyle has a 4.0 GPA and is active in school activities. He is a member of the 1997 7th Grade and the 1997 8th Grade State Academic Champion Teams, and a member of the 1998 8th Grade State Academic Champion Team. He is a two year member of the Webbers Falls football and basketball teams. He is an active member in the Webbers Falls FFA chapter and enjoys spending time with family and friends.

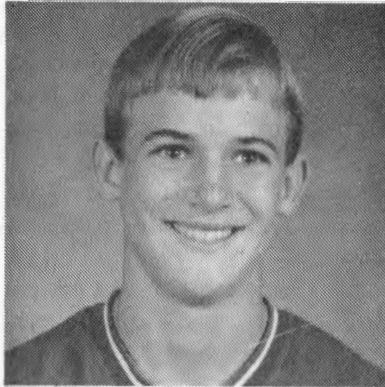
Arthur Wayne Pearson III has been named as the Salutatorian of the 8th Grade Class at Webbers Falls



Kyle Wooten

Public Schools. He is the son of Arthur and Kimberly Pearson of Gore, and the grandson of Wayne Pearson of Muskogee, Carol Fountain of Oklahoma City, and Wayne and Phyllis Sloan of Gore. He is also the great-grandson of Selma Martin of Checotah.

Arthur, who goes by the nickname of AJ, has a 3.95 GPA and



Arthur Wayne Pearson III

plays junior high basketball and summer league baseball. He is on the 8th Grade Academic Team that has won the state championship for two years in a row. He is a member of the Student Council, FFA, President of the 8th grade class, and attends Webbers Falls Baptist Church. His future plans include becoming an anesthesiologist.

High School Baccalaureate, May 17, 8 pm., WFS Gym

8th Grade Graduation, May 18, 7 pm., WFS Gym • High School Graduation, May 19, 8 pm., WFS Gym

WMS APT takes

3rd at area tourney

On Saturday, April 18th, the 5th & 6th grade Academic Pursuit Team from Warner Middle School traveled to Skiatook to participate in their Area Tournament. The young Eagles returned home that evening with the third place trophy.

The Eagles played a total of eight games, finishing with three wins and five losses, and earning a total of 1590 points. Although they lost five times, they were impressive, losing by only one question in four of the five games.

The team from Skiatook won the tournament, with 1860 points, winning seven games and only losing once. Second place was Keystone, 6-2, with 1600 points. Other schools competing were Checotah, Mounds, Cleveland, Osage, Beggs and Hubbert.

Scoring for Warner were: Nick Surgnier, 450 points; Cody Maugum, 360 points; Leslie Berryhill, 200 points; Jenny Hebert, 50 points; Lacey Fletcher, 40 points; and Lauran Chandler, 10 points.

Also competing for Warner were Kelsey Norred, Sunnie Brassfield, Bryan Center, Lori Jobe, and Jordan Carrier. Coaching the APT team was Patrick Phillips.

Student named as national award winner

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Stefanie Archer from Warner has been named a United States National Award Winner in Journalism.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than ten percent of all American high school students.

Stefanie, who attends Warner High School, was nominated for this national award by Etha Tatum, a teacher at the school. She will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

"Recognizing and supporting our youth is more important than ever before in America's history. Certainly, United States Achievement Academy winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their

Area students to

Degrees will be conferred on University of Central Oklahoma students by President W. Roger Webb during convocation ceremonies at the Hamilton Field House, UCO campus, Edmond, Oklahoma, on Friday and Saturday, May 15th and 16th, 1998.

A total of 335 master's degrees and a total of 1,224 bachelor's de-

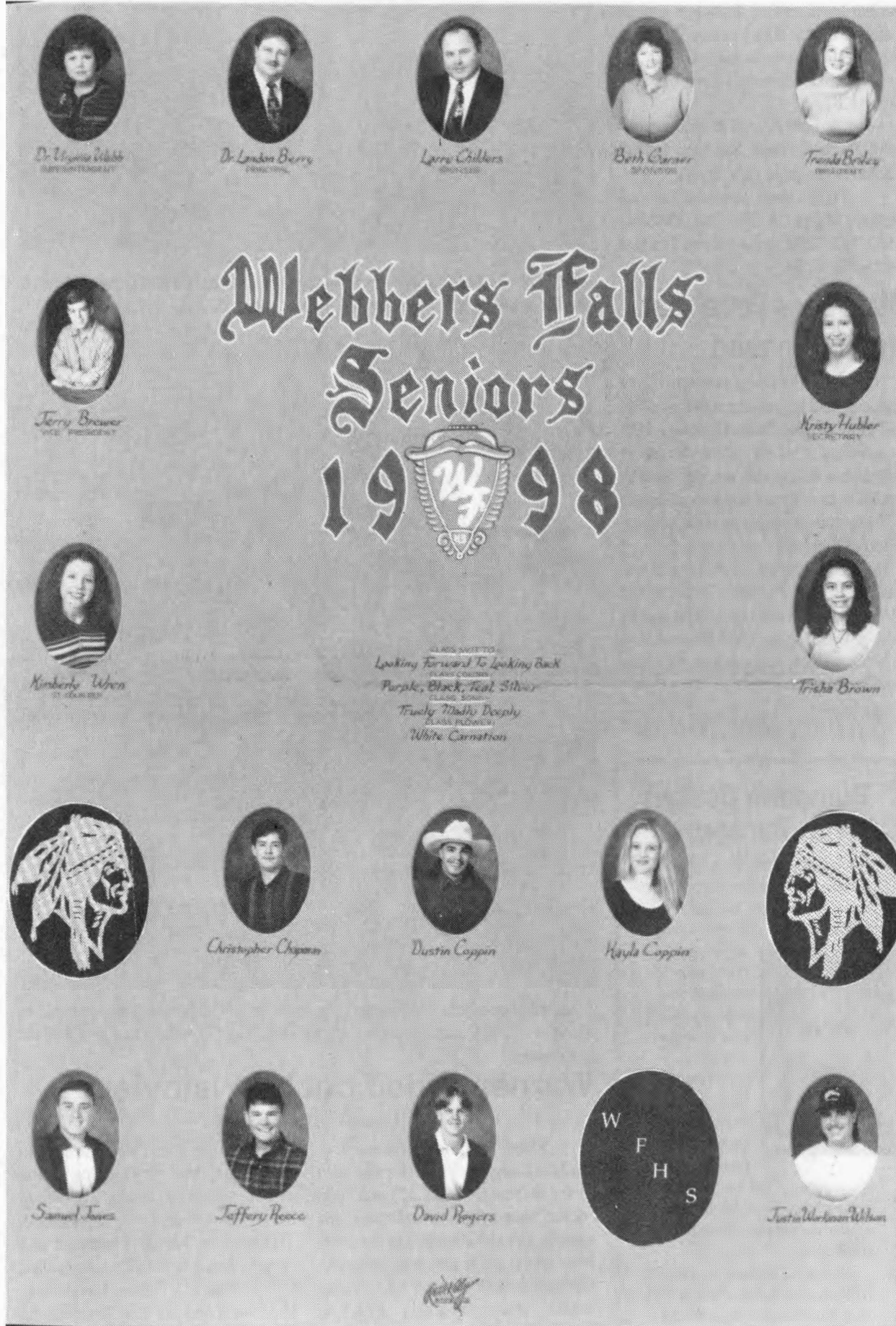
grees will be conferred. Area students, with their degrees, include: Gore - Carmella Denise Murray, Bachelor of Science, General Studies; Muskogee - Marilyn N.

The Academy selects United States Achievement Academy winners upon the exclusive recommendations of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability, and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Stefanie is the daughter of Carl and Carol Archer of Warner. Her grandparents are Fay Couch of Lodi, California.

receive degrees

Bates, Master of Education, Guidance & Counseling; and Warner - Amy Helen Miller, Bachelor of Science, Nursing.



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Webbers Falls hosts hoop camp

The annual Warrior Basketball Camp will be held May 25-28 (grades 3-6) and June 8-11 (grades 7-12) from 8:30 am. to 1:30 pm. at the Webbers Falls High School Gymnasium. Students will learn basketball fundamentals, including dribbling, passing, ball-handling and shooting. Contests are held daily and ribbons are awarded for outstanding performances.

The cost is \$25 for 1 camper, \$45 for 2 campers from the same family or household, and \$65 for 3 campers from the same family or household. Space is limited and registration and fees are due by May 15. Call 464-8865 for registration forms and for more information.

Complex to host Ball Invationals

Kids, Inc.'s Baseball and Softball Complex, located in Ponca City, has been selected as the site for five National Invitational Tournamens.

- They include the following
- ASA 10 & Under Fast Pitch Softball, Class B, on June 18-21.
 - 10- & 12- & Under Baseball National Invitational. Both age groups will be on the Ray Lessert Complex at the same time on June 26-28.
 - 8 & Under Baseball-Control Pitch, July 10-12.
 - 4th Annual ASA 8 & Under Control Pitch Softball National Invitational, to be held July 23-26.

To get more information, call Mary Miller at 580-762-1848/fax 580-762-7293, or Stephanie Ward at 405-762-6139.

Webbers Falls road to be repaved

A 1.93 kilometer stretch of lake access road beginning at the junction of U.S. 64 and State Highway 100, extending east to Main Street in Webbers Falls, was among the \$39 million in contracts approved by the Oklahoma Transportation Commission at their May meeting.

The contract for the project was awarded to Patton Construction Company of Tahlequah. The cost of the project is \$46,685.00 and it is projected that the project will take thirty calendar days.

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The Warner High School Lady Eagle track team is pictured with their Class 2A State Runner-Up trophy at the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond Saturday as they were narrowly edged out by Plainview.



Miley Turnbull of Warner is shown during the Class 2A 1600 meter race as she led from start to finish to defend her state title.



Pictured above is the 1600 meter relay team from Warner, which captured 5th place in a tough race Saturday afternoon at the Class 2A State Track Meet in Edmond.

Warner edged out by Plainview

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Miley Turnbull continued to lead the Lady Eagles, as she won gold in the 800 meter (2:18.55) and 1600 meter races (5:28), repeating the double that she garnered in the 1997 state meet, while also anchoring the champion 3200 meter relay team, which included Karly Roberts, Stephanie Gleese, and Morgan McAffrey, setting a new state record with a time of 9:50.77, shattering the previous state record by 10 seconds. She was also the anchor on the 1600 meter relay team that placed 3rd at the state meet, which included Angela Jones, Mindy Madewell, and Tiffany Fox, with a time of 4:12.

Tiffany Fox finished fourth in the 300 meter hurdles with a time of 48.59, Morgan McAffrey was sixth in the 800 meter race with a time of 2:29.03, and Stephanie Gleese was fourth (12:34) and Karly Roberts was fifth (12:43) in the 3200 meter race.

Also participating but failing

to place were Cheri Kee Muskrat in the discus, Mendy Huggins in the 400 meter sprint, Karly Roberts in the 1600 meter race, Cassie Mitchell, Tiffany Fox, Mindy Madewell and Angela Jones in the 800 meter relay, Cassie Mitchell, Tiffany Fox, Mindy Madewell and Angela Jones in the 400 meter relay, and Angela Jones in the long jump.

Only the 1600 meter relay team of Jeremy Thompson, Jon Oats, Jody Moore, and Chris Swimmer managed to place at the state meet, finishing in fifth place with a time of 3:30. Also participating were Chris Swimmer in the 400 meter dash, Bart Hemdon in the 800 meter run, Jon Oats in the 300 meter hurdles, Mario Youngblood, Chris Swimmer, Chris Basden, and Jeremy Thompson in the 400 meter relay, Jon Oats, Jody Moore, Chris Swimmer, and Bart Hemdon in the 3200 meter relay, and Dan Weston in the shotput.

Webbers Falls to honor athletes

Athletes from Webbers Falls will be honored at the annual All-Sports Banquet on Thursday, May 14, 1998, beginning at 6:30 pm. in the Webbers Falls High School Gymnasium.

The main course will be Chicken Fried Steak or Fried Chicken, catered by Charlie's Chicken, with plenty of side dishes and desserts. The cost is \$5.00 per person, with tickets to be purchased at the door.

CSC offers water safety instructor course

Connors State College announces that they will be offering a water safety instructor course on May 18-22, 1998, from 8:30 am. to 5 pm. The course will be offered to people 17 years of age and older at the start of the instructor course. Those taking the course must be able to swim 50 yards, using the front and back crawl, sidestroke, breaststroke, elementary backstroke, and 10 yards using the butterfly; standing front drive from deck; and dive under 9 feet of water and retrieve a 10 pound brick. Students must attend every class.

All classes will be held at the Melvin Self Fieldhouse on the Warner campus. College credit is available. For information, call (918) 463-2931, ext. 6296.

It pays to advertise

Connors State College signs livestock judgers

WARNER - Whitney Hamrick of Valliant, Michael Thompson of Noble, Dustin McDuffey of Anadarko, and Amanda Price of Duncan have signed livestock judging scholarships to Connors State College for the 1998-99 academic year.

"Whitney came to Be-A-Champ Show Cattle Camp when she was a little girl and I immediately took a liking to her. She works hard, has a good attitude and comes from one of the top 4-H livestock judging programs in the U.S. I've recruited her for years and Whitney will create an outstanding record for herself while here," notes Jerry McPeak, CSC livestock judging coach.

Whitney, daughter of Carolyn Guest and Jacky Hamrick, served as 4-H president, was on the 1995-96-97-98 4-H high team in livestock judging in state contests and won the CSC Livestock Judging Contest five out of six years. She was high individual livestock judge at the 1996 Tulsa State Fair. She is a 1997 All-American Scholar and holds Dan-

Madewell signs Wilburton guard

WARNER - Kris Jones of Wilburton High School has become the first signee of the 1998-99 basketball season for the Connors State College Cowgirls.

"Kris is a pure shooter who understands the game of basketball. She is also an excellent passer and our current plans are to play her at our #2 position (shooting guard)," notes Monte Madewell, head coach of the Cowgirls.

Kris, daughter of Ronnie and Angie Blair, averaged 18 points and seven rebounds her senior year while hitting 58% from the field and 75% from the free throw line. She also registered a blistering 62% from

three-point range.

She was an all-tournament selection for three years at the EOSC and the Old Ford Day invites besides making all-district, all-area and all-state. Kris paced her team to three straight district championships.

Kris maintained a 3.8 grade point average in high school and was active in the National Honor Society.

She joins a CSC team that posted a 31-2 record last year and was ranked the #2 team in the nation. The Cowgirls set team records for most victories in a row (29), most three pointers made in a season (224), and most three pointers made in a single game (14).

Camp Redlands to host academy

by Jess Epple, Jr.

Muskogee Conservation District

The Muskogee County Conservation District has received information about the 1998 Oklahoma Range and Wildlife Ecology Academy to be held at Camp Redlands near Stillwater June 14-20. The Academy is for high school aged students and will focus on leadership, range and wildlife management, speaking, planning and conflict resolution.

There is no charge for this workshop. There is a class limit of 20 students so it is important to submit your application now. The Academy is funded by a grant from the Oklahoma Regents for Higher Education. A new subject added to the Academy will be the introduction of the students to GIS. A private firm from Stillwater has agreed to lead this

portion of the learning.

The Academy offers an excellent opportunity for youth to become involved in conservation and leadership. Several past students have made presentations to outside groups on the subject matter taught at this Academy. Last year's workshop resulted in one student competing in the High School Youth Forum at the Society's International Meeting held in Guadalajara, Mexico.

For information and applications, call 687-3478 or come by our office at University Heights Center in Muskogee.

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Xanthus to join Connors livestock judgers

WARNER - Nicola Xanthus has signed a livestock judging scholarship to Connors State College for the 1998-99 academic year.

Nicola, daughter of Pete and Jeannene Xanthus of Hollister, California, is a nine-year member of the Fairview 4-H Club and served as this year's president while being a junior beef and junior veterinary science leader. She served as San Benito 4-H all-star conference delegate, is vice president of the California Junior Shorthorn Association and is active in Class of '98' activities and Friday Night Live.

She holds many Hollister FFA honors including 1998 Best of Best Master Showmanship Award at the California State Fair and the 1997 Herdsmanship Award. She has won public speaking contests, the 1997 Monterey Bay Section Proficiency

Winner of the Beef and Diversified Livestock and was the 1997 Premier FFA Exhibitor at the California State Fair.

"Nicola is one of the best rounded, most versatile young ladies in the country. She is energetic, thoughtful and has a beautiful personality. She came to my Be-A-Champ Show Cattle Camp two or three years ago and I've been recruiting her ever since. Nicola has the potential to be a great livestock judge and she is the kind you hope your own daughter emulates," notes Jerry McPeak, CSC livestock judging coach.

Nicola joins a CSC livestock judging team that won back-to-back 1998 national titles at the NAILE (Louisville, Kentucky) and American Royal (Kansas City, Kansas) invitational.

forth I Dare You and National Leadership Scholar awards.

"Michael is probably the most highly recruited livestock judging prospect in Oklahoma. He has great grades, a high ACT score, and a substantial livestock background," noted McPeak.

Michael, the son of Ronnie and Billie Thompson, was high individual at NEO, Eastern Oklahoma State College and Connors livestock judging contests. He also exhibited the Grand and Reserve Grand Steer at the Cleveland County Livestock Show, is in the National Honor Society and served as FFA president last year.

"His ag teacher, Mr. Horton, has done an excellent job of preparing Michael. Even after all of this, his most outstanding quality is that he is just a good kid," added McPeak.

Dustin, son of Larry and Teresa McDuffey of Anadarko, received a State FFA degree, was on his high school judging team and showed the Grand Champion Steer for two years

in Caddo County.

"Dustin comes from a very good ag program, has a great personality and has an outstanding opportunity to be a very good collegiate livestock judge. More importantly, he is a good kid and we can't get too many of these," McPeak added.

"Amanda has been very prominent on the national Maine Anjou scene. Her father is a top-notch ag teacher, who also judges shows. So, her background certainly is strong enough to give her a good start in collegiate livestock judging," McPeak continued.

Amanda, daughter of Ken and Judy Pride of Duncan, served as local vice president of her FFA and National and Oklahoma Honor Societies. She was National Maine Anjou Queen in 1997 and Oklahoma Maine Anjou Queen in 1996.

These signees join a CSC livestock judging team that won back-to-back national titles in the NAILE (Louisville, KY) and American Royal (Kansas City) shows this past season.



These Southwestern Oklahoma State University student/athletes were named "Athletes of the Year" for the six women's athletics programs on the Weatherford campus. The women were honored at the 1997-98 SWOSU All-Sports banquet held recently on the SWOSU campus. Honored for their sport were (from left): Angie Wiseman, Newalla, rodeo; Amy Sexton, Thomas, cross country; Mindy Bedford, Webbers Falls, basketball; Jamie King, Moore, softball; Kala Freeman, Woodward, golf; and Ceann Martinez, Beaver, tennis.



Pictured above is the Porum Lady Panther softball team with their runner-up trophy Thursday afternoon at the ASA Hall of Fame Stadium in Oklahoma City.



Porum 3rd baseman Heidi Shoemake awaits the throw to tag out a Davenport baserunner Thursday afternoon in the Class 3A state finals in Oklahoma City.



Pictured above is the Muskogee County Conference South All-Star softball squad, which tied the North in their contest on May 4 in Okay. Players chosen for the game from the South included Heidi Shoemake, Trisha Johnson, Jenni Whitman, Leah Purdom and Robin Doke from Porum, Sara Fuller, Tasha Davis, Kia Moore, Kendra Guthrie and Lisa Scott from Oktaha, Morgan McAffrey and Chrissi Ross from Warner, Amanda Burris and Becky James from Webbers Falls, Amanda Batt and Kendra Caughman from Central, and Chantel Williams and Amanda Edwards from Gore. Shoemake was named as the South's Player of the Year by the conference with her coach, Jim Purdom named as Coach of the Year. Porum and Oktaha tied for the conference crown. Coaching the South All-Stars were Purdom and Chester Pittman from Oktaha.



Pictured above is the Muskogee County Conference South All-Star baseball squad, which defeated the North in their contest on May 4 in Okay. Players chosen for the game from the South included Shaun Robinson, Shane Robinson and Jason Smith from Porum, Brant Huff, Dustin Hopkins, Steve McDaniel and Brent Morgan from Oktaha, Jeremy Thompson, Chris Girty, Jordan Garner and Riley Pierce from Warner, Adam McClain, Vincente Fonseca and David Rogers from Webbers Falls, and Ricky Spears, Scott Moseley, Kasey Duke and Casey Laymon from Gore. Huff was named as the South's Player of the Year, while Warner's Chad Kirkhart and Oktaha's Chris Burt were named as Co-Coaches of the Year. Warner and Oktaha tied for the conference championship, so Kirkhart and Burt coached the all-stars.

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Porum nearly wins state championship

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a single to center. After Purdom flied out, Thornton reached on a infield single and JoAnna Wooten followed with a walk. Melissa Doke ripped a single to left to score Whitman, before Crystal Culver's single to left scored both Thornton and Wooten.

Glencoe scored two more runs in the top of the 4th but once again, the Lady Panthers responded, as they added four more runs to their total.

Johnson opened the inning with a single to left-center, then after R.Doke flied out to the rover, Shoemake crushed a triple over the Glencoe outfielders, scoring Johnson. Shoemake scored just seconds later, as the GHS 2nd baseman fielded Whitman's grounder cleanly, but failed to get Shoemake at the plate; Whitman moved to 2nd on the play. Purdom came through once again, lacing a single to score Whitman, with Purdom advancing to 2nd on a play at the plate attempting to get Whitman. After Thornton flied out, Wooten ripped a single to center to score Purdom.

Both squads scored three runs in the 5th. Culver opened the bottom of the inning for Porum with a single to left, with Mary Ayres entering the game as a courtesy runner for Culver. Barbi Boehm followed with a single, with Ayres beating the throw to third; Boehm went to second on the play at third. Johnson launched a fly to right field to score Ayres, with Boehm eluding the tag at third. After R. Doke flied out, Shoemake emptied the bases with a two-run homer to give Porum a 13-7 margin, which

they held through the last inning and a half.

With the victory, Porum advanced to Thursday afternoon's final against Davenport at the ASA Softball Hall of Fame Stadium for the Class 3A State Championship.

Porum's defense early in the finals came through for the Lady Panthers, as Davenport threatened in both the 1st and 2nd inning but were kept off the scoreboard.

Porum took the lead in the 3rd by tallying three runs. Culver opened with a double (with Ayres running for Culver). After Candi Robinson grounded out to short, Ayres went to third on an infield single by Johnson. R. Doke flied out to the shortstop and Shoemake was intentionally walked. Whitman picked up two RBIs as her single to right-center scored both Ayres and Johnson, then Purdom's infield single scored Shoemake.

Porum continued to hold a 3-0 lead going into the 5th inning before Davenport finally got on the board by scoring five runs on five hits and several errors by the Lady Panther defense.

However, Porum tied the game in the bottom of the inning as Robinson reached on an infield single to short, moved to third on a double by Johnson and scored on R. Doke's single to left. Shoemake followed with a single to score Johnson.

But Davenport regained control of the contest by scoring four runs in the 6th to take a 9-5 lead.

Porum had one more chance in the 7th inning. After Johnson flied

out to left, R. Doke bounced a single up the middle to reach first. Shoemake flied out to center but Whitman hit a single to right to get two Lady Panthers on base. Purdom loaded the bases with a single to right, then Thornton picked up an RBI with a single to center to score Doke. However, Wooten's hit was fielded cleanly by the shortstop, who forced Thornton out at second for the victory and the state championship.

A disappointed Coach Jim Purdom, after consoling his players, said, "I thought the difference between winning and losing was the way the ball bounced. Both teams made some mistakes and both clubs represented themselves well, but today, Davenport was the better team."

"We had four seniors come to state as freshmen and now our freshmen will get that experience. I'm pleased with our girls, Coach Whitman did a great job, and it's been a team effort all year long."

"In a big game like this, you have to stay out of the big innings and they had two in a row. Even going into the 7th, I was confident that we could come back. We loaded the bases and if we had a couple of line drives, who knows (what could have happened). The ball hopped up on us at short and second, because it was a different surface and we were unable to handle it."

"Our seniors gave us a lot of leadership but all of our kids from freshmen to seniors played well," he concluded.

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Porum seniors Trisha Johnson, Crystal Culver, Barbi Boehm, Ira Sergeeva and Heidi Shoemake join PHS Head Coach Jim Purdom for the coin toss in their first round game with Dewar Wednesday afternoon at Reaves Park in Norman.

Softballers named to All-Region squad

WARNER - Connors State College placed four players on the Bi-State All-Regional softball team as selected by coaches for the 1998 season.

Cowgirls honored were pitcher Sheree Johnston (13-1 with a 0.46 earned run average) of Purcell, first baseman Amber Grider (.368) of Lexington, outfielder Mandy Kuehne (.390) of Big Cabin and designated hitter Amber McClintock (.375) of Bartlesville. Also cited was outfielder Cara Christensen of Muskogee on the second team.

The Bi-State selections were catchers Keri Staton of NEO and Stephanie Lofton of Northern; pitchers Johnston and Maria Lopez of Eastern; first basemen Grider, Christina Shaddox of Eastern and Sara House of Northern; second baseman Misty Byous of Eastern and Lorenda Littlefield of NEO; shortstops Katrina Woods of Eastern and Lindsay Jarvis of NEO; and third basemen Erin Crank of Northern and Diana Julian of Eastern.

Outfielders were Jennifer Crase of Eastern, Kim Garrison of Northern and Kuehne; designated hitters were McClintock and Lopez; and utility players were both Redus of Eastern and Sarah Roughface of Northern.

All-Staters headline CSC softball signees

WARNER - Five All-State players head Connors State College's 1998-99 "baker's dozen" softball signees.

Connors State College Cowgirl Head Coach Rick Carbone notes, "These players have excellent speed, each can play a number of different positions with equal skill and all have good hitting ability. All of them will definitely contend for starting positions next year."

All-state signees are first baseman Amy Marshall of Glenpool, shortstop Kendra McDole of Berryhill, outfielders Holly Scoggins of Sequoyah Claremore and Eric Wade of Muskogee, and third baseman Jolene Jimboy of Lexington.

Other prospects include third basemen Heidi Shoemake of Porum and Quiawa Braggs of Muskogee, catcher Shannon Bray of Blackwell, pitcher Erica Kite of Enid, second basemen Rachel Rogers of Bartlesville and Brandi Byrd of Hilldale, and outfielders Jennifer Hendrex of Fort Gibson and Amanda Stout of Wagoner.

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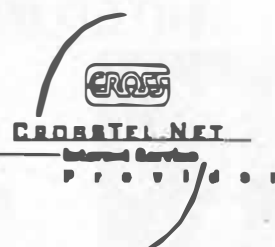
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Gore Nursing Home News

By Joann McGrew

We have been busy bees here at our facility this week. The weather has been unpredictable so everything has been hit and miss with the outside things that were planned.

We now have two of the outside flower beds planted in periwinkles. The residents that participated in planting them were Les Hunter, Charles Tiblow, Herbert and Martha Barnes. The flowers look beautiful so we must have had some really green thumbs that helped out. We still have one flower bed left to plant and hope to get to it the first part of next week. We also got the tomato garden planted this week. Residents Levi Morris and Kenneth Gathrie helped with this garden. The first part of next week we will be planting the squash and cantaloupe. This is work but will truly be enjoyed by several of our residents.

The residents met in the dining room to enjoy Bingo on Monday afternoon. This is a fun game plus the residents all leave winners. The residents played for apples, bananas, chips, pop, cheese crackers and snack cakes. The goodies give the extra incentive for coming out to participate.

Tuesday afternoon the residents were glad to hear the word conuts yelled throughout the facility. Donuts is another favorite activity here at our facility.

Wednesday we had a great turnout for chocolate chip ice cream.

This made for a nice afternoon treat and was enjoyed by everyone that attended.

Thursday was the day that all of the gardening was done here at our facility. This is going to be more than a one time activity for our residents because there will be watering and weeding to do.

Friday as everyone knows is the day that you hear and smell popcorn popping. We have a lot of popcorn lovers here at our facility and there's no way to let a Friday afternoon go by without having a sack full of hot buttered popcorn.

The Mother's Day news will be in next week's article. Be sure to read about the celebration next week.

The Alzheimer's Support Group meeting is Wednesday, May 20th at 2 p.m. The guest speaker is Bunty Seibert from the Alzheimer's Association. The topic will be on issues that deal with planning the future for your loved ones. This promises to be a very educational group and I know you would benefit by attending.

We want to welcome Edna Pen-dergrass to the activity department. She is going to help me out with some one on one activities and also with the afternoon group activities. She is going to be a blessing to have around not just to me but also for the residents.

If you would like to become a volunteer please call Joann McGrew at 489-2299.



Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Stephens
Stephens' celebrate 50th anniversary

Clayton and Pauline (Wickett) Stephens of Warner attended a family dinner held in honor of their approaching 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, May 2, 1998 at Fin & Feather Resort on Lake Tenkiller.

The couple were married on May 15, 1948 in Fort Smith, Arkansas and have been residents of the Porum and Warner area all of their lives.

Clayton retired on February 1, 1989 after thirty years of service with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation, serving as a traffic superintendent, while Pauline is a homemaker.

They have two sons and daughters-in-law, Terry and Kathleen Stephens of Muskogee, and Wayne and Glenda Stephens of Enterprise, and five granddaughters. One of their granddaughters is deceased.

Clayton and Pauline are members of the 1st Baptist Church of Warner. Clayton is a 36-year member of the Masonic Lodge in Porum and both are members of the Order of Eastern Star in Porum.

Countryside Estates

by Wenona Martin

Life is grand. Nurses' Week, May 3-9, then Mother's Day, May 10, followed by Nursing Home Week, May 10-16, gave good reason to seek ways to make life very good at Countryside Estates.

Brenda Hockenberry and Glenda Nichols headed up the committee to craft picture frames for every mother in the nursing home, complete with a snapshot of the resident. It made a lovely remembrance of the day and of the mother in the photo.

Nurses' Week honored all employees with a potluck on Friday, May 9. Chicken was provided by Countryside Estates.

Mother's Day Tea honored all mothers and guests on Sunday. Monday was Balloon Lift-Off at 1 pm.

Tuesday is Hug Day. Everyone gets a teddy bear signature card to have signed. The most signatures wins a prize and everyone has an

excuse to mix and mingle.

Wednesday is barbeque, Thursday glamorizes the 50's style dress, and Friday is parade day...Hat's-on-parade, worn by its maker. That should be fun for the resident, to make it and then to wear it.

May 16, from 3:30-5:00, is the time for square dancers to entertain. There will be 16 dancing sets of each. Refreshments will be served. If you can be on hand to watch, please feel welcome.

Nola Harris is a grandmother again. Kelton James Wiggins weighed in at 8 pounds 13 ounces on May 2. His mom and dad are Shirrell and Dale Wiggins. Two-year-old Larson is the big brother. Congratulations to this family. Nola is our assistant administrator.

We have had so much excitement around here this week getting ready for Mother's Day. Everything comes into focus as the day draws near. To the staff, thank you!

Warner Library News

New books received at the library include the following selections.

Adult Fiction: The Reapers Song, by Lauriane Snelling; Cold Case, by Linda Barnes; Rent-A-Cowboy, by Barbara McMahon; The Playboy Assignment, by Leigh Michaels; Married in a Moment, by Jessica Steele; and Another Chance for Daddy, by Patricia Knoll.

Adult Fiction (Large Print): Vow of Devotion, by Veronica Black; Prairie Vengeance, by Wayne C. Lee; Involvement in Austria, by John Newton Chance; The Silken Cord of Love, by Vicki Page; Death of a Prankster, by M.C. Beaton; Lost Stage Valley, by Frank Bonham; Painted Ponies, by Alan Lemay; The Loveless Marriage, by Barbara Cartland; Killer, by James Pattinson; A Promise to Keep, by Marlene McFadden; and The Romance, by Marion Chesney.

Easy Reader: Disney's Flubber, by Ron Fontes.

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Sims News

by Helen Masterson

Date: May 6, 1998. About 1:00 am. this date, the weather woke sleepers in this area with thunder, lightning, hail and a heavy downpour of rain. We received .77 (seventy-seven hundredths) of an inch on this hill while those farther south received two or three inches. But we're thankful for what we got.

Thursday, I went to Webbers Falls to Eddie's Garage and had oil changed in the Buick. Friday, I went to Muskogee on county van. Shopped at the Marts; saw Ed Poor at Price Mart.

Saturday, I did laundry, dried it outside between showers. Sunday, we attended church. I sat outside awhile Sunday afternoon. This weather makes us want to be outside, at least when it's not raining.

MOSTLY HELEN: I went with sisters Monday to Springdale, Arkansas to visit our brother, wife Val and their little granddaughter Jayde. She is getting past baby stage and she is so cute. It was Art's birthday and we met them at Western Sizzlin for lunch. Christine drove, Bea, Evelene and I went with her. After I went to bed that night, it seemed that I could still see and feel those Arkansas miles disappearing under the wheels of Chris' van. George picked up Bea and myself at Chris and Frank's in Keefeton.

I saw Dr. Soper at his office in Muskogee for last minute instructions before eye surgery next week. Had lunch with family members: Evelene, Lloyd, Melanie, Shelby, Maureen, Danian, Maurice J., Christine, Lisa, Lauren and Shirley. Shirley isn't actually related, but it seems like it. These rode the van when I did last week: Evelyn Wooten, driver; Lois Looney, Oneta Mahan, Louise Harris, and Geraldine Mullins.

Sims FCE Club Meeting

Ernestine Lawson, east of Porum, hosted members of the Sims Club at a meeting in her home May 6. The flag salute and Lord's Prayer were said in unison by the group. Devotions by Helen Lamb included poetry by Aileen Mallory, "Together With God," and "The Little Hummingbird" by Grace Easley.

Roll Call by secretary Daisy Dunaway was answered with "Something I Want To Pass On To Someone Special." The Guess What was brought by Lamb and correctly guessed by Helen Masterson. June Dillinger conducted business session and Susie Peyton, who has been ill, attended. A delicious luncheon was served by the hostess.

Next meeting will be held May 20 with Dunaway as hostess.

Thank You

Nurses are the backbone of Countryside Estates. Nurses see a need and cannot look the other way. They see a solution because they have that quality that demands action.

We are proud of our staff at Countryside Estates. And during Nurses' Week, we tip our hat to those caring individuals who work because they care. No amount of salary can supply that kind of person. It's developed by a work ethic fed by a loving heart.

To you employees at Countryside Estates, the opportunity to say thanks is very fitting during Nurses' Week. Congratulations for a job well done.

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Thank You

The 3rd anniversary of the Warner Apostolic Church was a great success. The Lord blessed beyond our expectations. We had over 435 guests Thursday and Friday night. Reverends Triplett and Swindle delivered some powerful appointed messages and the Racine Choir was an inspiration for the youth. Following was a delicious turkey dinner with all the fixins.

Thanks to all those that worked so hard to make this gathering a success. We are especially grateful for our Pastor and Sister McCall for having a shepherd's heart, for leading us into the liberty of Spirit and Truth. Warner Apostolic Church is where the love of God sheds aboard in our hearts and everyone is welcome.

Brenda Hatridge.

Sunsational show to be held in Muskogee

The public is invited to a day of sun and fun at Muskogee's first Sunsational Boat, Travel and Summer-time Living Show. Sponsored by the Muskogee Phoenix, Sunsational will be held Saturday and Sunday, May 16 and 17, at Phoenix Plaza, 2nd and Court Streets in downtown Muskogee. Hours are 10 to 5 Saturday and noon to 5 pm. on Sunday.

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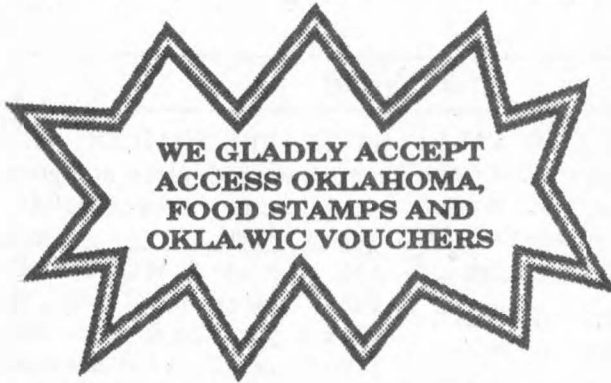
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SHURFRESH LARGE EGGS 39¢ DOZ WITH ONE FILLED CARD	PRICE SAVER SUGAR 99¢ 4 LB WITH ONE FILLED CARD	MARDI GRAS PAPER TOWELS 39¢ ROLL WITH ONE FILLED CARD	WILSON MEAT FRANKS 39¢ 12 OZ WITH ONE FILLED CARD	WILSON MEAT BOLOGNA 49¢ 12 OZ WITH ONE FILLED CARD
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