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Fiscal Year 2012-12 Budget Process

The Excise Board has scheduled the 2012-2013 budget meeting with the budget maker, Bill Turner, for Thursday, July 19, 2012. It will be a combined meeting with the Board of Commissioners.

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Primary Results

One round of the election process is over. Congratulations are in order for the primary winners: Chris Edwards, Bob Colbert, and Bob Snodgrass. Rhonda Vincent and Jim Hight have one more round to go in the run-off election scheduled for August 28, 2012. A special congratulation is in order for Lori Hendricks who, by winning her primary, is now the County Clerk elect for Wagoner County. Best of luck to those who are still in the competition. Look for the election results to be posted on the Wagoner County website: www.wagonercounty.ok.gov.

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Retirement

Lori has been working as First Deputy in my office for the past year and a half and is familiar with all the workings and responsibilities of the County Clerk. As I am confident that she can meet the demands of the office, I am content to turn the reins over to her to begin her term as County Clerk effective August 1, 2012. It has been my pleasure to work with everyone in the Courthouse and to serve the people of Wagoner County. I will ensure that the transition is a smooth one and will continue to work for the betterment of the County in other capacities. I appreciate everyone's support during my two terms and know that you will also support Lori as she takes on the responsibilities of an elected official.

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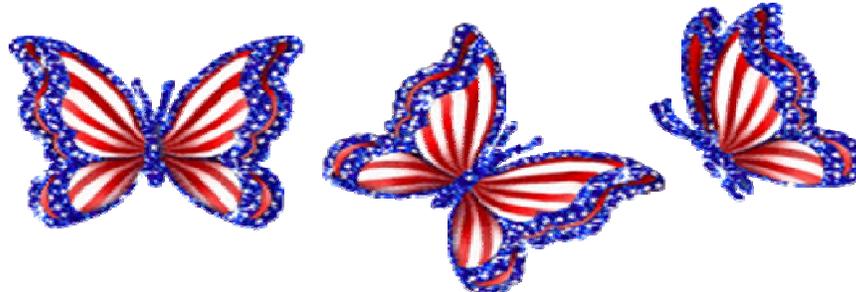
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Special points of interest:

- Wellness Committee Meeting - July 12, 2012 at 9:00 A.M.

Carolyn Kusler



Wagoner County—Growing from Good” to Great”!

HOW TO STICK WITH THE DRUGS YOU REALLY NEED.....

(Contributed by Frankie Moore—from Consumer Reports)

Talk with your doctor about simplifying your drug routine. Ask which drugs can be taken together and if you can take a drug just daily, weekly, or monthly rather than several times a day. • Keep a written schedule of the pills you take, how often to take them, and any special directions. Update the record as your prescriptions change. Post it in a convenient place for easy reference.

Try to take medicine at the same times each day, using calendars, timers, or divided pill containers if needed to remind you what to take and • • Know what to do if you miss a dose or accidentally take an extra one.



TOPIC FOR JULY 11TH SAFETY MEETING : Recognizing Drug and Alcohol Abuse

**Safety
Training
July 11th**

People become dependent on drugs and alcohol for many reasons, every person has their own story and their own road that took them there. One common thread most people share when they become dependent on alcohol and drugs is the emotional and physical affects dependency causes. No matter what the reasons are that an individual becomes dependent on alcohol or drugs and it doesn't matter how long it took them to get there, addiction affects self-esteem, relationships and eventually every aspect of your life if you don't seek help. Learn how to recognize Alcohol and Drug Abuse.



COUNTY CLERK SAFETY TRAINING

Just a reminder—The County Clerk administration offices and Land Records will be closed the first Wednesday of every month from 8:00am—9:00am.

July 11th
Recognizing Drug and
Alcohol Abuse

FOURTH OF JULY TRIVIA



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- The major objection to being ruled by Britain was taxation without representation.
- Over an estimated **150 million** hot dogs will be consumed today. That's roughly **1 dog for every two people** in the U.S.
- Oddly, the majority of the nation's flags and patriotic paraphernalia in relation to the 4th of July is produced in **China**. Nearly \$349 million dollars are used each year to import in the flags, banners, decorations, and emblems.
- The first 4th of July party held at the White House was in **1801**.
- The 4th of July was not declared a national holiday until **1941**.
- **John Hancock** was the only person to actually sign the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. The other 55 signers did not sign it until August 2nd or even later.
- The youngest signer of the Declaration of Independence was **26-year-old** Edward Rutledge. The oldest signer was Benjamin Franklin. He was **70**. Most of the signers were in their 30s and 40s.
- When the United States became a country, there were approximately **2.5 million** people living in the country. Today the population is around **304 million**.
- **Bristol, Rhode Island** has the oldest, continuous 4th of July celebration dating back to 1785.
- Three U.S. presidents have died on July 4th. Both **Thomas Jefferson** and **John Adams** died on July 4, 1826, the fiftieth anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. Five years later, **James Monroe** died on July 4, 1831.
- **Calvin Coolidge** is the only U.S. president **born on the 4th of July**. He was born in 1872.
- Ann Landers and twin sister Abigail VanBuren, both advice columnists, were born on July 4, 1918.



**Remaining
2012 COUNTY HOLIDAYS**

Independence Day	Wednesday	July 4th
Labor Day	Monday	September 3 rd
Columbus Day	Monday	October 8 th
Veteran's Day	Monday	November 12 th
Thanksgiving	Thursday and Friday	November 22 nd and 23 rd
Christmas	Monday and Tuesday	December 24 th and 25 th
New Year's	Tuesday	January 1 st (2013)

Fourth of July Safety.....Dyan Marrs, Human Resources

Firework safety:

There are nearly 9,000 emergency room-treated injuries associated with fireworks a year, according to the U.S. Consumer Product and Safety Commission. You can enjoy the Fourth of July safely by doing the following:

- Never give fireworks to small children, and always follow the instructions on the packaging.
- Keep a supply of water close-by as a precaution.
- Make sure the person lighting fireworks always wears eye protection.
- Light only one firework at a time and never attempt to relight "a dud."
- Store fireworks in a cool, dry place away from children and pets.
- Stay at least 500 feet away from professional fireworks displays.
- Leave any area immediately where untrained amateurs are using fireworks.



Sun Safety: More than Meets the Eye

We hear a lot about the dangers of the sun and protecting our skin from its harmful rays. But guarding our eyes is also vital. Like the skin, our eyes can get sunburned, too. Long-term contact with the sun can lead to cataracts and also can raise the chance of vision loss.

Anytime you are in the sun, **wear sunglasses that:**

- **Screen** out 75 to 90 percent of visible light
- **Block** 99 to 100 percent of the sun's UV-A and UV-B rays
- **Are gray** so that you can see colors correctly.

Sources: American Optometric Association; Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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CALENDAR



July 11	Safety Mtg		
July 02	Comm Mtg		
July 09	Comm Mtg	July 10	Excise Board Mtg
July 16	Comm Mtg	July 31	Excise Board Mtg
July 23	Comm Mtg		
July 30	Comm Mtg		

JULY 12th WELLNESS COMMITTEE MEETING
(At 9:00a.m. in Courtroom #3 .)



*A MESSAGE FROM
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PLEASE ENJOY THIS
JULY ISSUE!
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PLEASE LET ME KNOW..... CHAR*

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A MATTER OF RIGHT

"A popular Government, without popular information, or the means of acquiring it, is but a Prologue to a Farce or a Tragedy; or perhaps both. Knowledge will forever govern ignorance: And a people who mean to be their own Governors, must arm themselves with the power which knowledge gives."

- James Madison