

Wagoner County

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**EXPO TIME!**

Spring is finally here and we are beginning to prepare for the inevitable upcoming storm season. Make plans to join us this Saturday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, at the Assembly of God in Coweta for the Emergency Preparedness Expo! EMS Director Heath Underwood has put together a great event with some awesome displays and amazing give-aways including a generator and a storm shelter! The event kicks off at 10am and goes until 3pm.

**SICK AND VACATION TIME**

Beginning in April, all sick and vacation time balances will begin showing up on your pay stub each month. This means we absolutely must have your time and attendance

sheets turned in with payroll each month. We have provided each department with a spreadsheet to work from. If you don't have yours, please let me know and we can email it to you.

**BUDGET TIME**

Finally, we are down to the last 3 months of the fiscal year. You may want to take a moment to review your account balances to verify you have adequate funding for the remainder of the year and to begin planning for your FY 2014-2015 Estimate of Needs. We are happy to provide balance and expenditure information for you as well as offering assistance with plans for additional purchases or personnel.

*Lori Hendricks*

**LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES—NOT GUARANTEES!!**

**Special points of interest:**

- OK Fun Facts
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- Dist 3
- Trash-Off Day
- April 26th

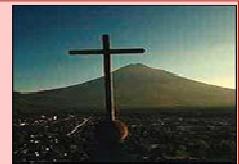


Wagoner County—Growing from Good” to Great”!

**NEXT HOLIDAY—APRIL 18TH, 2014—GOOD FRIDAY**



**Jesus and the Easter Bunny**



**Ask your average youngster what Easter is all about and he'll tell you about the Easter bunny. Why don't you tell the story of Jesus to your children or grandchildren this Easter? Tell them about the man who is God's Son, who came to show people the love God has for them. Tell your children that because of Jesus, even though people may die, they will not stay dead. That they can live forever with Jesus, and even their bodies will be raised from the dead just like Jesus' body was. After all, those same children are trying day by day to make sense of the death and life they see around them. They have real hopes and real fears and a destiny unfolding. They deserve a real "Jesus Easter" this year.....by Dr. Ralph F. Wilson**



**NEXT SAFETY MEETING**

**April 9th, 2014**

**Distracted Driving**

**Presented by**

**Indian Capital Tech Center**

**The County Clerk Adm. offices & Land Records will be closed one day of every month from 8:00am to 9:00am for safety classes.**

### OKLAHOMA FUN FACTS.....

- The Oklahoma State Capitol is the only capitol in the U.S. with working oil wells on its grounds.
- The nations first 'Tornado Warning' was issued on March 25, 1948 in OKC minutes before a devastating tornado.. Because of the warning, no lives were lost.
- Oklahoma has more man made lakes than any other state.



### APRIL TRIVIA

- President Lincoln was shot by John Wilkes Booth on April 14, 1865.
- The first Olympic Games were held in Athens, Greece. They began on April 6, 1896.
- The Titanic sank on April 15, 1912 after hitting an iceberg in the Atlantic Ocean.
- The United States Air Force Academy was established on April 1, 1954.

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#### APRIL is National What Month?

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- Alcohol Awareness Month
- Animal Cruelty Prevention Month
- Autism Awareness Month
- Cancer Control Month
- Child Abuse Prevention Month

## GOOD FINANCIAL HEALTH

**YOU AND YOUR BUDGET** ..... Continuing our series of articles regarding common ways people waste money, here are other detriments to our budgets:

### **Paying for Things You Don't Use**

Do you watch all those cable channels? Do you need those extra features on your phone? Are you getting your money's worth out of your gym membership? Are you taking full advantage of your Netflix, TiVo and magazine subscriptions? Take a look at what your family actually uses, then trim accordingly. You can get help tracking your expenses to identify where you're regularly spending on things you don't use

### **Not Reading the Fine Print**



Thought you were being smart by transferring the balance on a high-rate credit card to a low-rate one? Did you read the fine print? Some credit-card companies now charge up to 5% for balance transfers. Also watch out for free checking accounts that aren't so free anymore. Some banks now charge fees unless you meet certain criteria, such as maintaining a minimum balance. Your bank might also charge you as much as \$10 a month to download information into Quicken, the personal finance program, or tack on a fee every time you use a teller for deposits or withdrawals. Cell-phone contracts also are full of fine print about fees for various services and early termination of a contract.

(KIPLINGER by Erin Burke and Cameron Huddleston)



### *Dist 3 Trash Off day April 26th*

On **April 26, 2014**, Wagoner County Dist. 3 will host another trash off between the hours of **8:30am and 2:30pm**. We will join hands with the **2014 Great American Cleanup in Oklahoma (GAC)** sponsored by Devon Energy and coordinated by **Keep Oklahoma Beautiful (KOB)**.

This is a statewide effort to keep our communities clean and dispose of household trash, old furniture, old appliances, etc.

We also have a semi from Liberty Tires to collect old car and truck tires without rims. They will then be recycled and used for playgrounds and etc. We cannot accept tires from dealers or vendors. Off road tires are not accepted at this event.

We will not accept tree limbs, grass clippings or hazardous waste. You may also bring old refrigerators and freezers with compressor removed.

We will also have a container onsite to collect used oil.

We at Dist. 3 look for an even greater participation than previous years. Make plans to clean up your part of the community. If we all work together Wagoner County will become one of the cleanest counties in the state.

If you have any questions feel free to call **Shoni at 918-486-2132**.



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# CALENDAR



April 7th	Comm Mtg	(Mon)		
April 14th	Comm Mtg	(Mon)		
April 21st	Comm Mtg	(Mon)	April 8th	Excise Board Mtg
April 28th	Comm Mtg	(Mon)	April 29th	Excise Board Mtg

**HAPPINESS IS NOT A STATE TO  
ARRIVE AT,  
BUT IS A MANNER OF TRAVELING!!**



***PLEASE ENJOY THIS  
APRIL ISSUE....IF YOU  
WOULD LIKE TO  
CONTRIBUTE TO THE MAY  
ISSUE, PLEASE LET ME  
KNOW.....CHAR***

## MISSION 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