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Finally, the weather is cooling off and it's beginning to feel like fall and with that comes all of those end of year activities. October 14th is the deadline to complete all of your safety training to qualify for safety incentives. Remember only full time employees are eligible to participate in the program and state statute dictates that training must have been completed at least quarterly for a total of 8 hours of safety training related to your job duties.

change such as getting married or having a child? Call Charity or Erika in HR if you need help.

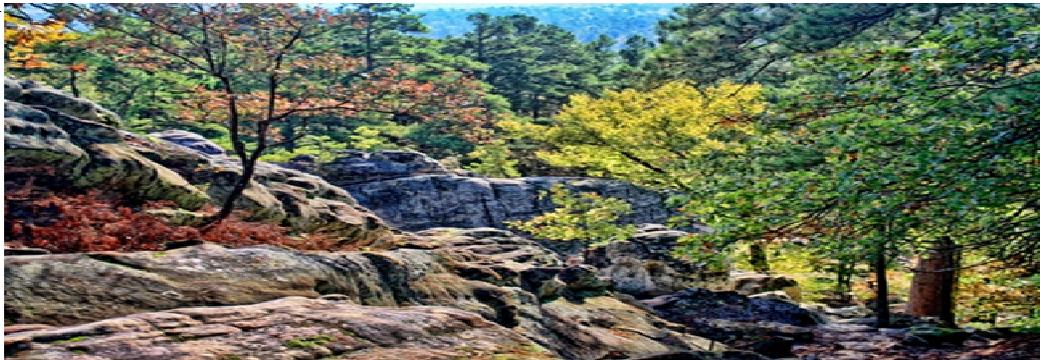
Also with fall and winter, comes the possibility of inclement weather. Be sure you are registered for Blackboard Connect, the reverse call -out system the county uses to contact employees should there be an emergency or courthouse closing. Just go to the county website and click on the Blackboard Connect icon on the home page to enter your home and cell numbers to receive your W-4 to ensure your tax withholding works to your advantage for next April. Have you had a

Leri Hendricks

It's impossible to be angry and laugh at the same time—you have the power to choose!!!

Special points of interest:

Safety Meeting
October 14th



Wagoner County—Growing from Good” to Great”!

Next Holiday—Oct 12th—Columbus Day



**DISTRICT 3 ANNUAL
TRASH-OFF
Saturday, October 24th
8:30a.m.-2:30p.m.
16507 S. 305th
Coweta, Okla**



This is our second event in 2015! You may dispose of old furniture, household trash, dead appliances, and other unwanted items. Freezers and refrigerators must have compressors removed. We will also collect used motor oil. You may dispose of car and truck tires; but no off-road tires. Tire dealers or vendors may not participate.

We will not accept any hazardous materials, tree limbs or grass clippings. We anticipate great participation, so make plans now to clean up your area of the County and together we can make Wagoner County one of the cleanest counties in the State of Oklahoma!.....Shoni

Any questions, call Shoni Johnson at (918) 486-2132



**NEXT SAFETY MEETING
October 14th, 2015**

**Defensive Driving
Presented by
ITTC**

**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 world surrounded by working oil wells.
- If you play catch in the streets of Bartlesville, you're breaking the law.
- If you wear New York Jets in Ada, Oklahoma , you could be jailed.



COUNTY CLERK DEPUTY SHARON CARTER TRANSITIONS TO NEW JOB IN COURTHOUSE!

The County Clerk's Employees honored Sharon Carter with a surprise party!! Sharon has been an employee in the Clerk's Office since January, 2006. She always went the extra mile to make the office more efficient—sometimes coming in on snow days just so the barns could have P.O. numbers!!



She was an extraordinary County Clerk employee!



However, Sharon will still be around the Courthouse.

She has accepted a position with Drug Court Coordinator Tony Drywater. Good luck, Sharon on your new adventure.

The Clerk's office will miss YOU and all the fantastic decorations you created for our office!

The Fed and interest rates explained

For the past year, the Federal Reserve and Chair Janet Yellen have been hinting that an increase in interest rates could be coming soon. The Federal Reserve had lowered the rates to nearly zero during the recession when the economy needed a boost.

But on Sept. 17, at a press conference, Yellen said, “We discussed this possibility at our meeting. However, in light of the heightened uncertainties abroad and a slightly softer expected path for inflation, the Committee judged it appropriate to wait” to raise the interest rates. The Fed has decided against raising interest rates for now, which would have been the first increase in nine years. But there’s still a chance the rates may be hiked before the end of the year.

“Most participants continue to expect that economic conditions will make it appropriate to raise the target range for the federal funds rate later this year,” Chair Yellen said.

When the Fed does decide to raise the rates, its members are saying they believe the economy is strong enough to handle an increase, which is a way to keep inflation in check.

But wait — what is the Fed and [how does it work?](#)

The government has influence over the economy in two ways. There’s fiscal policy, when Congress and the president create legislation on taxes, which impacts regulation and government spending.

[Then there’s monetary policy](#), and that’s where the Federal Reserve comes in.

The Fed is a government agency, but is independent and doesn’t need approval from the branches of government. President Woodrow Wilson signed the Federal Reserve Act in 1913 as a way to centralize and regulate banking to prevent economic collapse. As the nation’s central bank, the Fed supervises other banks to keep people’s money safe.

The Federal Reserve studies economic trends and makes monetary policy decisions to keep things running smoothly — with the right amount of inflation and low unemployment levels — by regulating interest rates and the availability of money. For example, if the Fed wants to increase the money supply in the economy, it will tell banks to hold on to less, so they can lend more to businesses and people.

“Granny” again!

County Clerk Lori Hendricks and husband Steve
were blessed with a second grandchild –
Their daughter Becca gave birth to
JAYCEE KATE
September 25th, 2015—Weight 7 lbs. 7 oz.



Jaycee Kate
with
BIG Brother
Sterling
who will be
1 year old on
10-12-15



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The Federal Reserve has a few ways of keeping the economy healthy, but one big influence is federal interest rates. When there's little to no growth, the Fed encourages spending and hiring by lowering these rates. This means lower interest rates for the banks, which in turn can lead to lower interest rates for customers when it comes to loans, mortgage rates, and more. When the economy is in good shape but at risk of too much inflation, the Fed increases the interest rates to keep things steady.

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CALENDAR



Oct. 5th Comm Mtg (Tues)
Oct. 13th Comm Mtg (Mon)
Oct. 19th Comm Mtg (Mon) Oct. 14th Excise Board Mtg
Oct. 26th Comm Mtg (Mon) Oct. 27th Excise Board Mtg

*Faith is not knowing what
the future holds,
but knowing who holds the future.*



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

**REMEMBER DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME CHANGE
SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1ST!**

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