



The All About HENNESSEY POST

Photo by Jack Quirk

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MAYOR ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT by Jack Quirk

During the Hennessey Board of Trustees regular meeting Tuesday, May 14, Mayor Cliff Vogt announced that he will be retiring from the board as of June 30th. The reason stated was he will be moving out of town therefore, he cannot serve on the board. Vogt was originally appointed to the board to fill Raymond Kirby's position then was reelected and is now serving in his 7th year. Vogt stated that the board has several items they are working on that he would like to help finish before leaving such as the annual budget and the code book. *Photo by AAH Jack Quirk*

PAVILION PHASE ONE COMPLETE by Jack Quirk

What started several years ago as a dream has now become a reality in Downtown Hennessey. Phase One of the "John Deutschendorf Memorial Pavilion" Is now complete. This would not be possible without the local Hennessey businesses that stepped up and donated their services, products, and time.

Many years ago the town acquired the old Lee Lumber property on W 1st Street. Shortly after there were ideas of making it a park or building a community building. In the meantime, Richard Simunek purchased the adjoining land to the south and wanted to donate it to the town. Many years passed and nothing



happened, Simunek proposed building a community building and donating the land he owned to the town but it never got off the ground.

About two years ago the Hennessey Board of Trustees approved a plan from All About Hennessey to create the "Discover Hennessey" program that would oversee improvement projects and promote Hennessey.

This week the long-awaited pavilion phase one is now complete. Jack Quirk, with All About Hennessey, said, "This was possible with a great deal of help and donations from our community. There is no way a project this big could become a reality with just town funding."

Groundbreaking occurred on August, 31st 2023 as F5 Construction owned by David and Katrina Fuksa donated their services to prepare the site for the fill dirt to elevate the site. 800 cubic yards of fill dirt was donated by Lightle Sand & Construction and was delivered by Dollar Trucking. David Fuksa said, "We need this much fill to make this sightdrain property."

Daniel Construction of Hennessey installed the large concrete peers 8 feet deep to support the structure. When the building parts arrived they were sent to Thurmond Gas Measurement Co. where they generously donated the black paint and labor to paint the structure before erecting it.

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Pavilion Phase continued

This week the Hennessey Metal Building Systems crew assembled the frame and installed the roof completing phase one of the project at no cost to the Town. For this, the new pavilion will be called "John Deutschendorf Memorial Pavilion" in remembrance of the founder of Hennessey Metal Building Systems.

Quirk said, "To date, over \$100,000 in services have been donated by F5 Construction, Lightle Sand & Construction, Dollar Trucking, Daniel Construction, Hennessey Metal Buildings, and Richard Simunek." It is important to note that this is a multi-phase project that will continue as more companies and individuals step forward to help with the cost of completing it.

The pavilion as it stands is 100 X 50 and has a dirt floor. Phase Two is to raise funds to build a 100 X 100 concrete floor. Phase Three will be to add 25 feet to the north and south sides of the building making it a full 100 X 100 structure.

Additional phases will include funding to enclose the structure, add restrooms and a kitchen, and heat and A/C.

Quirk said, "We have established a donors fund for anyone that would like contribute to completing this new community asset for our citizens to enjoy for years to come."

If you have the means and would like to help complete this project, please contact Jack Quirk at <u>Jack@KJFilmWorks.com</u>. We are very fortunate to have such a high quality of local contractors who are willing to come forward and support our community.



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Christy Streck is presented a painting of the Elementary school to commemorate her retirement





4TH GRADE GRADUATION

The 4th-grade class of Hennessey Elementary School had an early graduation party on May 8th. They presented flowers to their teachers and gifted a painting of the school to Mrs. Christy Streck, who will retire this year after teaching for 43 years. The students performed their fine arts musical performance for their parents and then celebrated with balloons, pizza, and dessert.



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COZY QUILT BARN RIBBON CUTTING



Friends, family, and customers gathered Wednesday, May 8th, at the Cozy Quilt Barn for the official ribbon cutting. Vice Mayor Harold Shaw was on hand to congratulate The Cozy Quilt Barn on their new business. Cozy Quilt Barn is open Thursday and Friday, 9 am–6 pm, and Saturdays, 9 am–2 pm. It is located at 15442 OK-51, Hennessey, OK; this is west of town off Highway 51, just past Turkey Creek on the south side.



GREGORY'S TIRE & OIL RIBBON CUTTING & GRAND OPENING

On Friday, May 10th, Gregory's Tire & Oil held its ribbon cutting to inaugurate the newly built facility. About 200 people came out throughout the day to the open house, enjoyed lunch, and toured the new facility. Visitors had the opportunity to enter the drawing for their giveaway. Gregory's was previously located at 1416 N Mitchell Road but is now ready



to serve you at its new location at 3632 US HWY 81, Hennessey, just north of Casey's. Photos by AAH Jack Quirk.



STORM SHELTERS ASSISTANCE

Around 100 individuals attended the storm shelter grant application meeting held on Wednesday, May 8 at the Hennessey Fire Station. Staff from Kingfisher County Emergency Management and representatives from the State Emergency Management, Hennessey Fire and Police were present to assist in signing up applicants for the grant program.

Successful applicants could receive a rebate of up to \$3,000 for installing a new storm shelter on their property in Kingfisher County. The SoonerSafe - Safe Room Rebate Program, established in 2011 by the Oklahoma Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security, aims to provide rebates to assist Oklahoma homeowners in purchasing and installing safe rooms. Grant approval is estimated to take up to 9 months.

For further information about this program, please contact Kingfisher County Emergency Management at (405) 375-2794 or visit <u>www.soonersafe.ok.gov.</u>









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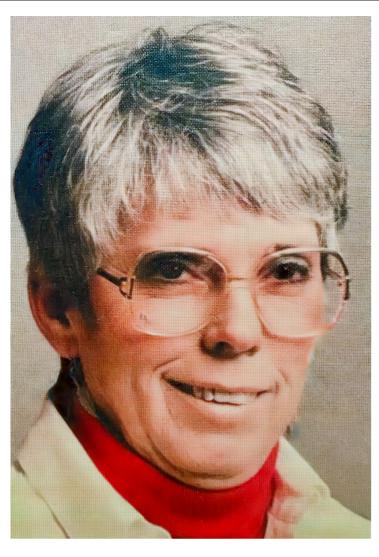
Parking Improvements

Construction for the new parking area north of the school football field began last week. When complete, it will have lighting and match the pool parking to the north.



POLICE REPORT May 6 - May 13

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SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
PEREZ OLIVAS, JUAN JOSE OF PORTALES, NM	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
CONSTANTIN III, JULES JOSEPH OF PONCA CITY,	ОК
RECKLESS DRIVING	\$365.00
CONSTANTIN III, JULES JOSEPH OF PONCA CITY,	ОК
NO INSURANCE	\$180.00
MOLINA, ANGEL ALAN OF HENNESSEY, OK	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
MOLINA, ANGEL ALAN OF HENNESSEY, OK	
IMPROPER/DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	\$90.00
REA, SERGIO ALEXANDER OF HENNESSEY, OK	
IMPROPER/DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	\$90.00
MERAZ, ALEJANDRO OF HENNESSEY, OK	
FAILURE TO STOP AT STOP SIGN	\$197.00
WANZER, REGINA SUE OF HENNESSEY, OK	
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SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
DILLINGHAM, DANIEL CHAD OF ENID, OK	
CHANGE LANES UNSAFELY	\$197.00
BOEHS, LIA ROSE OF FAIRVIEW, OK	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
BRIZUELA, ERICA OF HENNESSEY, OK	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
ORTEGA RODRIGUEZ, DAYAMI KARINA OF HOBBS,	NM
IMPROPER/DEFECTIVE EQUIPMENT	\$90.00
LEE-FLOHR, DAXTON EVERETT OF HENNESSEY, O	к
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
KEELING, VICKI KISER OF ENID, OK	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
RIOS, BRENDA ISELA OF HENNESSEY, OK	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
FOX, ANDREW KENNEDY OF ROLAND, AR	
NO DRIVER'S LICENSE ISSUED	\$365.00
VALLES, CLAUDIA OF HENNESSEY, OK	
IMPROPER TAG DISPLAY	\$90.00
VALLES, CLAUDIA OF HENNESSEY, OK	
NO INSURANCE	\$180.00
VALLES, CLAUDIA OF HENNESSEY, OK	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
VALLES, CLAUDIA OF HENNESSEY, OK	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
ROSSANO, DANIEL PATRICK OF EDMOND, OK	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
DEMARCUS, CODY TAYLOR OF MILTON, FL	
FAILURE TO STOP AT STOP SIGN	\$197.00
LOPEZ, ARACELI OF HENNESSEY, OK	
SPEEDING 1-10 OVER	\$185.00
HAMILTON, BRIANNA KEHAU OF STILLWATER, OK	



Joy Darlene (Dar) Bynum Trost Obituary July 7th, 1946 - April 22, 2024

Joy Darlene (Dar) Bynum Trost at the age of 77 went to be with her Lord and Savior on April 22nd surrounded by family at her home in Aztec, New Mexico. A memorial service was held on Friday, May 10th at 3 pm at the First Christian Church, 500 E 3rd in Hennessey, Oklahoma. Dar was born to Floyd and Jeanita Hardin in Marlow, Oklahoma on July 7th, 1946, and graduated from Duncan High School. Dar is preceded in death by her parents, a loving husband of 40 years, Jerry Bynum, two brothers; Monk Johnson and Randy Hardin.

Dar is survived by an adoring husband, Rick Trost of Aztec, New Mexico; daughter Joy Hoehler and husband Bobby of Huffman, Texas; son Troy Bynum, and wife Tina of Enid, Oklahoma, Robin Trost of Illinois, Amy Trost, and Katie Roper both of New Mexico. Grandchildren: Trynton Laubach and wife Lindsay; Brandon Laubach all from Texas; Jordan Bynum and wife Crystal of Colorado; Dakota Bynum and wife Chelsey of Missouri; Tristin Roper; Esther Roper; Jesse Trost; Lucas Williams; Arwen Wiliams all of New Mexico; Alex Shaffer of Illinois; Madison Shaffer; MacKensie Shaffer both from Arkansas; and 13 great-grandchildren. Along with numerous nieces and nephews. One fur baby, Buck. Brothers; Floyd Hardin, Ross Hardin, and wife Nadine of Hennessey Oklahoma, Sisters; Annita LaRose, South Carolina, Brenda Culp and husband Greg of Oklahoma.

Dar was an avid football fan cheering for the Dallas Cowboys and the OU Sooners. She loved watching the hundreds of hummingbirds that took advantage of the many feeders she provided for them from her porch. She enjoyed camping, going antiquing, and weekly card nights with friends. Dar managed the Farmington Bowling Alley, during her time there she bowled in league nights which led to several state championships for her age division.

Dar spent many years in Hennessey, Oklahoma where she and Jerry raised their children.

She was known for her artistic talents, where she did many types of crafts including; commercial artwork often seen around town. She worked at Gails Grill and owned a print shop on Main Street. Dar and her husband Jerry shared a passion for racing, so much so that they helped run the Enid Speedway. Darlene will always be remembered for her gentle and kind ways. She loved her family and friends dearly. She was a true testament to her Lord Jesus by how she lived her life.

To watch the service go to https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FmG5vUuBs9Q

HHS GRADUATES WIN AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS



Hennessey High School celebrated the accomplishments of 63 graduating students this year. During a special ceremony on Tuesday, May 7, these students were commended and presented with academic awards and scholarships from a range of educational institutions across the state, as well as individual scholarship funds, community organizations, corporations, and companies. photo by AAH Jack Quirk

Multi-Faceted Man: Robert Bryan, Artist

By Sara Jane Richter

Even as a child, Robert Bryan realized that he possessed artistic talent. His teachers curried his creativity by encouraging him to draw and paint. Growing up in Okeene, Robert and his family moved to Hennessey in between Robert's junior and senior year, and he graduated from Hennessey High School in 1974.

Art might make a good career, but Robert's life got busy as all of our lives do. He matured, graduated from Oklahoma State University, married his lovely wife Brenda in 1983, had two daughters named Lindsey and Jennifer, and entered the world of insurance with a Farm Bureau office in Hennessey. Art and his interest in the field fell by the wayside. He indicated that he just didn't have the time or the patience for his art any longer.



In his forties, he wanted a hobby that would relax him and allow him a creative outlet. Therefore, he thought that he'd tap into his long-dormant art talent and decided that a paintbrush would feel good in his hand once again. He returned to college

One of Robert Bryan's wonderful works of art

allows him to easily cover his mistakes on a canvas.

to earn a teaching certification in art and

taught art at Emerson Middle School in Enid for a few years. After retiring from the public school classroom and while working for Metals USA in Enid, Art tapped him on the shoulder again. He determined that he should paint for himself and learn about the field to improve his skills, so he enrolled in a painting class offered for adults at Hobby Lobby in Enid. Here, he learned all about acrylics, and his natural knack for drawing and painting came back to him. That paintbrush felt better and better. He enrolled in other classes, too, like figure drawing and oil painting. He likes using oils best as he soon learned that using oils

Now that maturity had increased his available time and patience, Bryan realized that he needed time and self-motivation to engage in a painting project and to complete that project. His favorite subjects include cowboy life and cowboys, horses, cattle, deer, elk, buffalo, and dogs, such as retrievers and pointers. He prefers not to include people in his works, but if he does populate his canvases with folks, they are not the major focus of the image. He loves painting Mother Nature's handiwork.

On a personal level, Robert loves the outdoors and hunting. In the summer of 2005, Dr. John O. Smith commissioned him to paint a mural on the north outside wall of his optometrist office south of Hennessey. The subject was Dr. Smith, his daughter, and his bird dogs on a quail hunting excursion. This mural commands the attention of drivers heading south on Highway 81 or traveling on the east-west Conoco Road. He's never attempted a piece that large since. Even though he's been approached to do other murals, he doesn't relish climbing on ladders or clinging to scaffolding nowadays.

Bryan now paints for himself and for others, too. He enjoys working on commissioned artwork as he wishes to please the person who has requested a particular subject and to be honest, he likes the money that a well-done commissioned project will bring. He has found that

the art that he produces to please himself perhaps is not what the general public likes: the irony of the art business. Of course, he appreciates those who commission his pieces, as he shines best when he has a specific art target in mind.

Mr. Bryan is a perfectly happy painting to please patrons, family, friends, and himself. He learns something with each piece that he produces and is proud that his paintings excite



Robert Bryan Hennessey artist

others about the fine arts. Artists like Robert interpret the world for others to see and appreciate. Pablo Picasso once said, "The meaning of life is to find your gift. The purpose of life is to give it away." That is what artists like Robert do; they give of themselves so that others may be inspired to examine more closely the world around them and to celebrate the excitement, color, movement, and glory of life.



Robert in his studio, painting and putting finishing touches on his latest painting.



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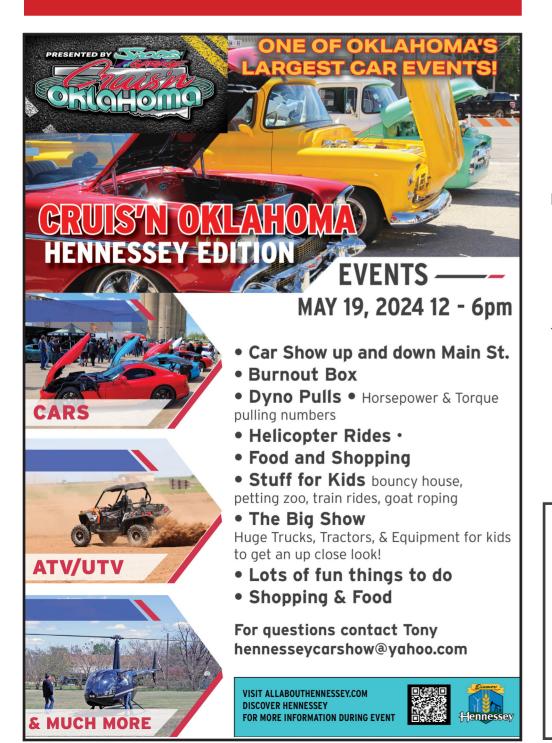
Decker Beef sells its meat in bulk, with customers able to purchase 1/4, 1/2, or whole beef. If you purchase a 1/2 or more, you can choose how you want it cut. If you purchase a 1/4, it comes in a standard cut. They also offer a few cuts per month that are sold straight out of their freezer on a per-pound basis, and their meat is always vacuum-sealed (except for the hamburger meat). They have a variety of cuts available, including hamburger meat, roast, steak, ribs, and briskets, among others. They do offer delivery on occasion but those details can be hashed out later. To purchase meat from Decker Beef, you can contact them at 580-819-1242.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

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<u>Calendar</u>

Wednesday, May 15 Last Day of School 10 – 11am Littlest Patron Playtime 7 – 8pm Baccalaureate

Thursday, May 16 12 – 1pm Hennessey Lions Club Meeting at Family Cafe

> Friday, May 17 10am Library opens late 7 – 9pm Graduation

Sunday, May 19 12pm - 6pm CAR SHOW

Monday, May 20 1pm JH Softball Camp (7th/8th grade) (Day 1/5)

Tuesday, May 21 JH Softball Camp (7th/8th grade) (Day 2/5) Mason Meeting at Coronado Lodge 4 – 5pm Teen Funtivities Club Hennessey Public Library

Wednesday, May 22 JH Softball Camp (7th/8th grade) (Day 3/5) 10 – 11am Littlest Patron Playtime

Thursday, May 23 JH Softball Camp (7th/8th grade) (Day 4/5) 12 – 1pm Hennessey Lions Club Meeting at Family Cafe 24

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Jack Quirk Publisher, CEO Angela Bruner Managing Editor angie@kjfilmworks.com Amy Smith for Advertising 405-853-1270 Lisa Quirk Office Manager Friday, May 24 Until 3:30pm JH Softball Camp (7th/8th grade) (Day 5/5)

> Saturday, May 25 TOWN POOL OPENS

Monday, May 27 Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 28 10am HS Softball Camp (Day 1/4) 4 – 5pm Teen Funtivities Club Hennessey Public Library

Wednesday, May 29 HS Softball Camp (Day 2/4) 10 – 11am Littlest Patron Playtime

Thursday, May 30 HS Softball Camp (Day 3/4) 12 – 1pm Lions Club Family Cafe

Friday, May 31 Until 12pm HS Softball Camp (Day 4/4)

Monday, June 3 10am HS Softball Camp (Day 1/5)

Tuesday, June 4 HS Softball Camp (Day 2/5) 4 – 5pm Teen Funtivities Club Hennessey Public Library

Wednesday, June 5 HS Softball Camp (Day 3/5) 10 – 11am Littlest Patron Playtime Library opens late (in-house training)





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PIONEER GIVES THE SCOOP AT ANNUAL MEETING

by Amy Smith



On Tuesday, May 7th, Pioneer Telephone Coop held its 71st annual meeting at the Kingfisher County Fairgrounds. The event began with breakfast burritos, donuts, and hot coffee, followed by several rounds of bingo. Pioneer employees ensured that their quests were well taken care of by providing unlimited coffee refills and new bingo cards. District Trustees accompanied the Pioneer executive team, including Brenda Walta, Kim Grellner, Blake Callaham, and Mike Baustert. The team spoke about Pioneer's achievements, overall financial health, the advancements made with fiber

optics, as well as an exciting new launch regarding Wi-Fi that will be revealed later this month. Stay tuned! Unfortunately, no voting was able to take place as the quorum was not quite met. Pioneer was happy to give back to their customers by giving away over \$4,500 in door prizes. Due to the amount of rain from last night's storms, vehicles were unable to park in the grass area. Therefore, Superintendent Mr. Glover with Kingfisher Public Schools graciously allowed the use of their charter bus to shuttle attendees from the First Baptist Church parking lot to the County Fairgrounds. Photos by AAH Amy Smith



Hennessey Candidate Connection

Thursday, May 30 6:30 pm at THE HIVE 114 E Oklahoma, Hennessey



Aaron Pitts for Sheriff

Mike Sparks for County Commissioner





Austin Whittenburg for County Commissioner

David Roller for County Commissioner



Please join us to mingle with our Hennessey Candidates and ask questions .



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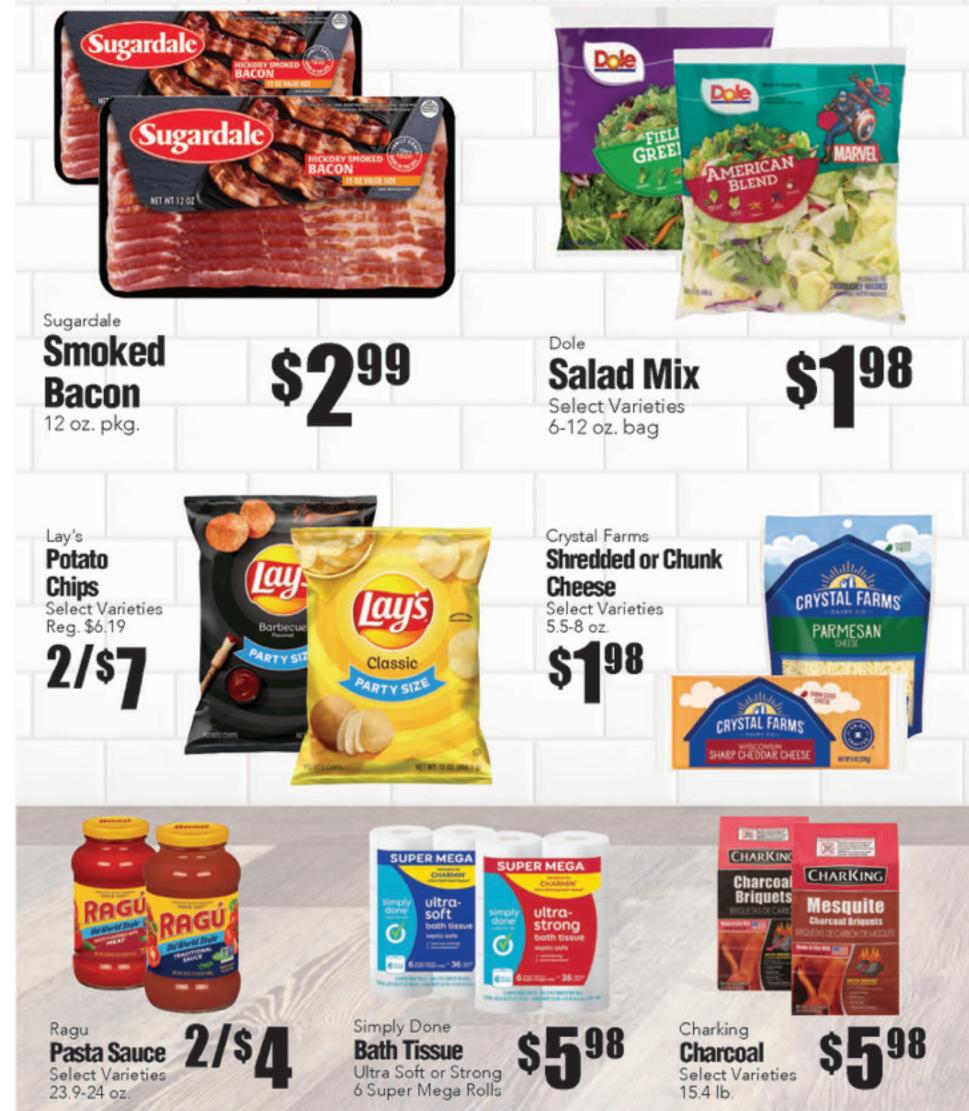




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