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The All About HENNESSEY POST

photo by AAH Amy Smith

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NEW SIDEWALKS!

by AAH Jack Quirk

If you've been wondering what all the noise and dust is about on East Oklahoma Street, it's not a new rock band, just the sweet sound of progress!

Bright and early Thursday morning, August 7th, Buddy Daniel and his crew rolled up their sleeves and started tearing into the sidewalk in front of The Hive and Hann Rohrs Accountants' office. The work marks the start of a much-needed sidewalk makeover between Main and Cherokee.

This stretch of concrete has been a longtime problem for pedestrians thanks to its uneven slopes, tricky elevation, and enough cracks to play hopscotch on. But not for long! The Hennessey Town Trustees recently gave the green light to replace the old sidewalk, creating a smoother, safer path from the corner of E. Oklahoma and Cherokee all the way to the alley behind Prairie Quilt. The new sidewalks will be ADA/Handicap accessible and lowered to match the rest of the town's walkways.



HALF THE NAME: HENNESSEY STORE LOSES DOLLAR TREE BRANDING FOLLOWING CORPORATE SPLIT



The familiar green-and-white Dollar Tree sign disappeared from the Hennessey Dollar Tree/Family Dollar storefront today, marking a visible sign of a nationwide corporate shakeup.

Monday, August 4th, A sign crew was seen removing the Dollar Tree branding from the store's facade, leaving only "Family Dollar" behind. This follows Dollar Tree Inc.'s recent announcement that it sold its Family Dollar business to Brigade Capital Management and Macellum Capital Management. The move ends Dollar Tree's decade-long ownership of Family Dollar, which began with its acquisition in 2015.

According to the company, the sale is part of a strategic effort to refocus on its core Dollar Tree brand and strengthen its financial performance.

Meanwhile, Dollar Tree is undergoing its own transformation. As reported by FingerLakes1.com, the chain is expanding beyond its traditional \$1.25 pricing model and introducing a range of multi-price items, including goods priced at \$3, \$5, and even \$7. These new price points are rolling out in categories like frozen foods, cleaning supplies, pet products, and health and beauty, and are already appearing in thousands of locations nationwide.

It's not yet clear how the changes will impact the Hennessey store's product offerings, but for now, it's officially down to half a name.

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-HENNESSEY'S HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER-

A VERY DIFFERENT CAR SHOW IS COMING TO HENNESSEY

Get ready for some rolling, bouncing, and full-on car dancing, the first annual Hennessey Hood & Hydraulics Car Show is hitting town on Saturday, September 13th!

For the uninitiated, a hood and hydraulics show is part car show, part performance. "Hood" means engines on display, gleaming chrome, wild paint jobs, and enough custom detailing to make any gearhead swoon. "Hydraulics" means cars that can hop, drop, tilt, and bounce in time with the music. Think lowrider ballet, but louder.

This high-energy, colorful event comes with serious bragging rights and \$3,000 in prize money from Big Dog Kustoms. Competitions include Street, Super Street, and Radical classes, plus Top 10 Sweepstakes and Best of Show cash prizes.

Fuel up with food vendors, enjoy live music from El Junior & los de la Sierra, and check out the Hopper Show at 8:00 pm. Gates open at 6:00 pm, the show kicks off at 6:30 pm, and the band cranks it up at 9:30 pm. Beer garden available for the 21+ crowd.

Location: 1100 N. Mitchell Rd, Hennessey (just north of 4T's Market)
Info: Harold Shaw at 405-853-1905 or Ashley Zielny at 405-853-0077

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SCHEDULE
GATES OPEN: 6:00PM
CAR SHOW BEGINS: 6:30PM
HOPPER SHOW: 8:00PM
BAND PERFORMS: 9:30PM

BEER GARDEN WILL BE AVAILABLE (21+)

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Where are they now? Bert & Gerri Russell

by AAH Shelley Muzny

Bert Russell was raised in Watonga, Oklahoma, by his parents, George and Judy Russell. He has four brothers and one sister. Bert graduated from Watonga High School in 1974. Gerri (Farmer) Russell grew up in Buffalo, Oklahoma, with her parents, Doy and Dovie Farmer. She has one brother and one sister and graduated from Buffalo High School in 1977.



After high school, Bert attended Southwestern Oklahoma State University, where he earned a degree in Business Administration. Gerri went to Oklahoma Baptist University and graduated in 1981 with a degree in Elementary Education. Bert worked at Russell Auto Parts until he was elected to the Oklahoma House of Representatives for one term. After marrying Gerri, he moved to Hennessey and worked for PIC and Hanor for 31 years. He retired in November 2024.

In August 1981, Gerri began teaching first grade at Hennessey Elementary School on Main Street. After the school relocated from the old building to the current elementary school, Gerri has remained in the same classroom, teaching first grade since 1982. She plans to retire at the end of the 2025-2026 school year, culminating an impressive 44 years of teaching in Hennessey.

Bert and Gerri were married in July 1989 and have been together for 36 years. They have two children who graduated from Hennessey High School: Greyson Russell and Madison Russell Breschini. Bert enjoys golfing, watching old movies, and running the scoreboard for high school sports. Gerri loves attending Hennessey High School sporting events, crafting, raising chickens, traveling, and going on mission trips, most recently to Budapest, Hungary.

Bert and Gerri are a loving couple, not only to each other and their family but also to the Hennessey community. They are always smiling and willing to help, and they always see the best in people. The Hennessey community and school are privileged to have Bert and Gerri Russell.



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EMBRACING CHANGE: NAVIGATING LIFE'S TRANSITIONS AS A PARENT

To me, it has always seemed like after the 4th of July, we all blink, and suddenly school is starting again. This column is titled "Transitions," and I've learned that we are all experiencing transitions in one way or another. Our high school graduates are moving on to their next chapter—some are heading off to college, tech school, or stepping into the workforce. Meanwhile, parents are transitioning as well, adjusting to whatever path their children choose.



Transitions by Bonny Flesher

This time of year, as the little ones prepare to go back to pre-k, I can't help but have flashbacks. Bless my firstborn's heart! He was so upset with me when I insisted on walking him to his classroom on the first day of pre-k. I remember explaining my protective instincts to him like this: "I brought you into this world, and I have the right to walk you into school on your first day!" After that, I sat in my car and shed a tear or two.

Fast forward to a month after his graduation, and those protective feelings resurfaced when I had to say goodbye as he boarded a plane headed to boot camp. For obvious reasons, he didn't give me the name and phone number of his Navy recruiter until he was about to leave. Yes, those protective instincts kicked in, and I made the call. During the conversation, the poor man told me he understood my anxiety. I asked him how many children he had and their ages. He politely replied that he had a two-year-old daughter. I couldn't help but growl, "Sir, you have no clue how I'm feeling!"

After my son's twenty years of service to his country, this protective mom would love to have another conversation with that Navy recruiter—just to check in and see how my son is doing.

As the new school year approaches, buses are being tuned up, meals are being planned, grass is being mowed, and floors are being cleaned. Teachers are preparing their classrooms and organizing lessons, while administrators oversee all the necessary details. It truly takes a village to guide a child from pre-k to graduation.

My best advice to all the adults is to enjoy the ride. It all goes by so quickly, and before you know it, you're watching them drive away to their next chapter. Here's to everyone's transition into the school year 2025-2026. As for me, I'm taking a step back to hibernate for a bit. But I still get my joy from reading to pre-k classes; I just don't feel the need to growl anymore!



Keep Oklahoma Children Warm This Winter

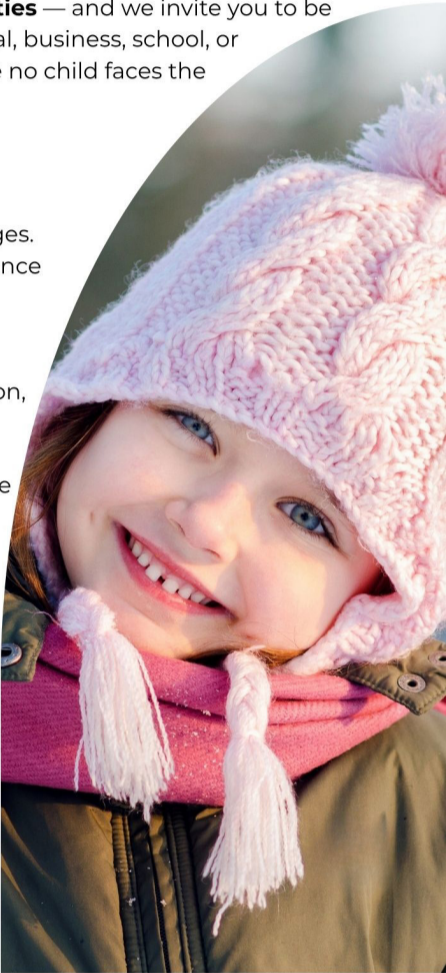
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Obituaries

Adella Mary Roller Obituary



Mass of Christian Burial for Adella Mary Roller, 84, will be at 11:00 AM after Tuesday August 12, 2025, at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church, Hennessey officiated by Rev. John Herrera. Burial will follow at Calvary Cemetery under the direction of Cordry-Gritz Funeral Home. Viewing will be Sunday and Monday August 10th and 11th at the funeral home.

Adella was born in Enid on December 25, 1940, to Frank J. and Rose Henrietta Fuxa Pacula and passed peacefully in her sleep Monday August 4, 2025, at Hennessey Care Center.

She was a member of St. Joseph’s Catholic Church.

Adella married Jerry Roller in Hennessey October 1959. She later married Marvin Shire.

Adella is survived by her husband Marvin, two sons, Dale Roller, David Roller, and wife Carol, one daughter, Cheryl Gilliland and husband Steve, all of Hennessey; five grandchildren, Bree Roller, Ciara Eberle, Tori Roller, April Gilliland, Christopher Gilliland; ten great-grandchildren, Lincoln, Gabriella, Remiel, Hudson, Aubrey, Lance, Lillian, Wesley, Aurora, Audyn; two sisters Angelina Pribil and Agnes Zelnicek.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her husband, Jerry Roller.

Memorial donations may be made in her name to St. Joseph’s Catholic Church with the funeral home serving as custodian of the fund.

Phyllis Shimanek Obituary

Mass of Christian Burial for Phyllis Shimanek, 84, will be at 11:00 AM Saturday August 9, 2025, at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church, Hennessey officiated by Rev. John Herrera. Burial will follow at Calvary Cemetery under the direction of Cordry-Gritz Funeral Home. Viewing will be Thursday and Friday, August 7th and 8th at the funeral home from 9:00 AM until 6:00 PM.

Phyllis was born in Enid on April 2, 1941, to Dale and Lois Mitten Brown and died Sunday, August 3, 2025, at her home.

She married Jim Shimanek in Hennessey on March 11, 1961. Phyllis was a member of St. Joseph’s Catholic Church.

She worked at the Kingfisher County Health Department for many years and

farmed

Phyllis is survived by her husband, Jim of the home, two daughters, Laura Shimanek of Prague, Linne Shimanek of Mattawan, Michigan, and one honorary daughter, Starla Wolf of Sapulpa; one grandson, Justin Shimanek and Kiersten of Hennessey; three great-grandchildren, Paityn Shimanek, Tate Edgar, Case Shimanek, and one brother, Jimmy Dale Brown of Tulsa.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, John Shimanek, and her brother Bill.

Memorial donations may be made in her name to MD Anderson Cancer Hospital with the funeral home serving as custodian of the fund.



Nancy Caroline Crosson Obituary

Graveside services for Nancy Caroline Crosson, 80, of Enid, will be 10:00 A.M. Thursday, August 7, 2025, at Lyon Valley Cemetery east of Hennessey, with Jimmy Berkenbile officiating. Celebration of Life Service will be at 1:00 P.M. in the Liberty Southern Baptist Church with Dr. Matt Miles officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson-Burris Funeral Home and Crematory.

Nancy was born October 8, 1944, in Eureka, Kansas to Charles Edward Coulter and Erma Arleen Larcom Coulter, and passed away July 31, 2025, in Enid, OK.

She married Lavern Harold Crosson on January 7, 1964, in Tucumcari, New Mexico. She was a homemaker and also a home health aide. She attended Liberty Southern Baptist Church in Enid, OK.

Nancy is survived by her children, Barry, Kim, Roy and Andrea, brother Duke, six grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Lavern and many family members.

Memorials may be made through the funeral home to Liberty Southern Baptist Church. Online guestbook and condolences at www.andersonburris.com



The Good Word

You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect. LUKE 12:40 (ESV)

INCIDENTS

HENNESSEY, Okla. -According to police reports, Hennessey Police are investigating after a town-issued check was allegedly intercepted in the mail and deposited in Chicago, Illinois.

Police Chief Christian Solis said Town Administrator Tiffany Rowen reported the altered check on Aug. 6. The intended recipient was WEX Bank. The case has been referred to the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, which is now working with local authorities.

HENNESSEY, Okla. — According to Hennessey Police reports, on Aug. 4, police responded to NAPA Auto Parts after store staff reported a man suspected of using a fraudulent credit card to purchase \$1,853.70 in parts on June 4. Police identified the suspect as David Kerschner II, who was trespassed from the business while the investigation continues. The store is working with police to provide surveillance footage and purchase records for possible charges through the Kingfisher County District Attorney’s Office.

HENNESSEY, Okla. — According to Hennessey Police reports, a resident contacted police Aug. 8 to report ongoing harassment and threatening messages from a woman identified as Virginia Sue Wilson, who also uses the name Walker.

The resident told police they were afraid and planned to seek an order of protection but did not wish to pursue criminal charges at this time. Police reviewed screenshots of the conversations and confirmed with the Enid Police Department that Wilson has a pending case in their jurisdiction.

HENNESSEY POLICE REPORT
August 4 - 11

Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Foster, Karen Sue of Enid, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Cooper, Brok Teagan, Robert of Hennessey, OK
Defective Equipment	\$197.00	Gulley, Frank of Wellington, TX
Failure to Stop at Stop Sign	\$197.00	Gulley, Frank of Wellington, TX
Expired Tag/Failure to Pay Taxes Due to State	\$265.00	Gulley, Frank of Wellington, TX
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Marmol. Pedro of Edmond, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Spencer, Ginger Lynn of Sapulpa, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Johnson, Sherri Lynn of Oklahoma City, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Stidham, David Brian of Republic, MO
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Braly, Cindy Ridge of Norman, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Meyer, Karly Nicole of Kingfisher, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Castillo, Cole Andrew of Mooresville, NC
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Quezada, Edgar Meza of Dover, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Simpson, Nathan Jesse of Irving, TX
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Ochoa, Ceasar Alonzo of Hesperia, CA
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Yost, Shasta Raeanne of Kingfisher, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Nulik, Jenny Elizabeth of Hinton, OK
Expired Drivers License	\$146.00	Scott, Danny of Alva, OK
Expired Tag/Failure to Pay Taxes Due to State	\$265.00	Stallcup, Richard Carroll of Enid, OK
Speeding 11-15 Over	\$212.00	Easter, Christian Dale of Enid, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Bliss, Stevenson Stiles of Covington, GA
Speeding 11-15 Over	\$212.00	Aguilera-Marquez, Jonny of Cypress, TX
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Hulsey, Kaden of Oklahoma City, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Peuser, Clayton James of Grove, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Dominguez, Rosa Maria of Booker, TX
Speeding 21-25 Over	\$267.00	Winn, Jaxon Josiah of Edmond, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Peck, Heather Renee of Guthrie, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	White, Tyson Vance of Mooreland, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Smith, Trevin Alexander of Hennessey, OK
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Tiger, Dawn Michelle of Leesburg, FL
Speeding 1-10 Over	\$185.00	Loveless, Alan of Luther, OK



Fix’n er Up! The Beards & Bourbon building awning is getting a fresh coat of paint. Look’n great on Main St!

Olympic Gold Medalist Bart Conner Headlines Creative Oklahoma's Speaker Series Registration and Sponsorships Open

OKLAHOMA CITY, OK-
[August 4, 2025] Creative Oklahoma is proud to welcome Olympic legend and Oklahoma icon Bart Conner as the featured speaker in its Imagine & Inspire Speaker Series on Wednesday, August 28, 2025, at Innovation Hall OKC, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Conner will share his unique perspective on how collaboration fuels innovation, drawing from his Olympic journey and decades of experience leading in business, sports, and community impact. The evening will also include a panel conversation featuring Oklahoma changemakers: Mike Knopp (RIVERSPORT OKC), Michael Byrnes (Team OKC 2028), and Erin Lewis (Oklahoma City Thunder).

"This speaker series is more than just a talk—it's a celebration of what's possible in Oklahoma when creative minds come together," said Cathy Story, Executive Director of Creative Oklahoma. "We're thrilled to have Bart open our series with such a powerful message."

Other dates in the series are: Arshay Cooper, November 13 at Devon Boathouse, Hal Smith, February 19 at OSU-Stillwater, and Michael Wallis, May 14 at OSU Tulsa.

Sponsors are invited to a VIP reception from 5:30 to 6 p.m., prior to general admission from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Leading sponsors for the event include the Oklahoma Business Roundtable, OKC Innovation District, and Tom and Cindy Friedemann.

Tickets are available now, and sponsorship opportunities remain open for organizations that want to align with creativity, innovation and Oklahoma's future. Register or learn more at www.creativeok.org, info@creativeok.org or 405-540-0358.

About Creative Oklahoma

Founded in 2006, Creative Oklahoma is a statewide nonprofit organization dedicated to championing creative thinking as a catalyst for innovation, and progress across the state. Looking ahead, the organization is preparing for the return of its signature event—the Creativity Ambassadors Gala—in 2026.



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by AAH Amy Smith



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FUELING LIVES, ONE DIVINE DAY AT A TIME

by AAH Amy Smith



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circulatory health. Popular offerings include, Energy Teas, Protein-Packed Shakes, Protein Balls, High-Protein Coffee, Herbalife 24 Rebuild Line (for serious muscle recovery, hydration, and energy)

And the town has spoken, the Sasquatch Shake is a fan-favorite, loaded with protein, pecans, oats, and peanut butter. Need a tropical escape? The Strawberry Watermelon Colada delivers beach vibes in a cup. Or try the wildly popular Skittles and JS4 teas, bursting with flavor, vitamins, and just the right amount of get-up-and-go, or come in and check out the other amazing menu items.

But what truly sets Divine Nutrition apart is the heart behind the counter; Kandi goes above and beyond for anyone who walks in her door. Whether it's your first visit or your fiftieth, she sees you. She remembers your name, your favorite flavor, and probably asks how your week is going, too. She believes in guilt-free pleasures, not just in the nutritional sense, but in the joy of treating yourself to something that makes you feel good, inside and out. "I love seeing everyone who comes in. My hope is always to make their day better, even if it's just with a simple gesture."

Divine is also deeply involved in giving back to the community. For the month of August, they're celebrating 30 Teachers in 30 Days, recognizing educators who give so much and often receive so little thanks. On top of that, Kandi proudly offers discounts to first responders, healthcare workers, military, teachers, and students, because showing appreciation should be part of every business.

From everyday pick-me-ups to seasonal surprises and specials for any occasion, there's always something new to discover. Follow along on social media to keep up with events, promos, and community highlights. You can find Divine Nutrition at the 409 Center on Main Street in Hennessey. Photos provided by- Black Mountain Photography by Tasha



Since 2018, Kandi Snyder has been pouring her heart into a mission that goes far beyond shakes and teas; it's about changing lives. What started as a personal love for all-natural Herbalife products quickly grew into something much bigger: a passion for helping others feel better, live healthier, and walk out of her shop feeling like their best selves. "If I can change even one life," Kandi says, "then I am honored."

The name Divine came to her naturally, just like the energy and warmth you'll feel the moment you walk through the door. "I want everyone to have a Divine Day after leaving my shop," she says, and from the joyful hellos to the seasonal décor, every detail is carefully crafted to make customers feel right at home.

At Divine, you'll find an entire menu of sugar-free, Stevia-based products packed with purpose, supporting everything from energy and hydration to digestive and

VOTE FOR BENTLEY'S MULLET!



The mullet is back, and two-year-old Bentley Robertson of Hennessey is proving it in the USA Mullet Championships. This smart, energetic, and sweet yet ornery little boy is the son of Tessa Robertson and grandson of Eric and Mandy Robertson. He loves playing outside, getting dirty, and making messes.

His mom planned to cut his hair at one, but no one could picture him without his signature curls in the back. They've never been cut, and now they're championship material.

The USA Mullet Championships feature contestants of all ages competing for up to \$10,000, the coveted title, and bragging rights, all while raising funds for Jared Allen's Homes for Wounded Warriors.

Help Bentley win! Vote daily at mulletchamp.com, confirm your vote by email, and share with friends. Donations under his name are appreciated but not required. He's in the 0-4 age division, where every daily vote matters.

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HENNESSEY SCHOOLS LOOK AHEAD AFTER MAJOR FACILITY UPGRADES



Superintendent Jason Sternberger sat down with All About Hennessey to reflect on several key infrastructure projects completed across Hennessey Public Schools and offered a preview of what’s to come. In the last few years, the district has made major improvements, including a new bus barn, an expanded parking area west of the baseball and football fields, updated fencing around the elementary playground, and the resurfacing of the track.

“We were fortunate to have built up our building fund and could complete many of these projects using local dollars,” Sternberger said. One of the more visible, and often questioned, projects is the drainage ditch on the east side of the campus. Originally designed as part of the dome plan, the ditch will eventually be filled to improve traffic flow and add parking in front of the elementary and middle schools.

“This was always meant to be a two-part project,” said Sternberger. “The city helped us out by securing a grant to move the old water line, which was holding us up.”

With that step complete, the district is now preparing to revisit the drainage and parking project. Sternberger says they hope to get updated bids soon, and with fewer unknowns, expect better pricing and more contractor interest.

Looking ahead, the district is also exploring the idea of a small bond issue to address facility needs at the athletic complex, including building a dedicated space for the softball team.

“We’ve had a lot of ideas, but it’s time to get serious and do what’s best for the kids,” he said.

Financially, the district is in good shape, though caution is key. With declining gross production revenue from oil, the district is off the top tier of state aid and is operating more conservatively.

One potential new program is a third meal option for students after school. “There’s more need out there than people realize,” said Sternberger. “We’re working with principals and our child nutrition director to see what’s possible.”

Another major change this year is a stricter electronic device policy in line with new state guidelines. Students will no longer be allowed to use phones or devices from bell to bell during the school day.

Finally, the district welcomes seven new teachers this year, including several Hennessey grads and experienced educators. Sternberger called them a “very strong group” that will continue the district’s tradition of excellence.

As the new school year approaches, the superintendent says the focus remains clear: investing wisely and always putting students first. You can watch the full webshow episode on AllAboutHennessey.com



-HENNESSEY'S HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER-

MCLANE SHINES AT 14U ALL-STATE TOURNAMENT



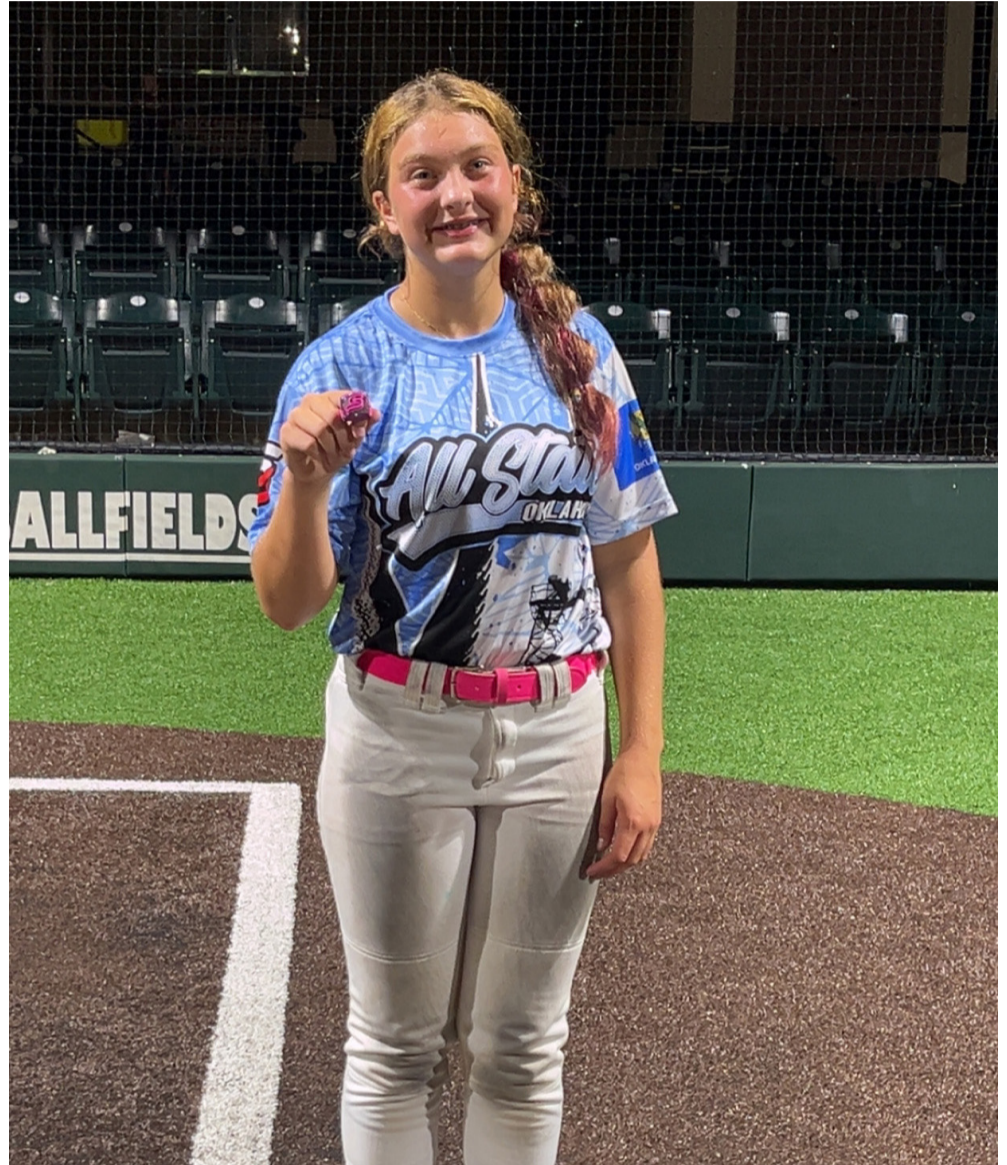
Fourteen-year-old Jerzie McLane, a freshman at Kingfisher High School, made a significant impact at this season's 14U All-State tournament held in Shawnee, Oklahoma. Her team finished the tournament undefeated and earned the championship title.

Jerzie demonstrated the skills and leadership expected from a player of her caliber, representing her region admirably. More importantly, she stood out among the best players in the state, showcasing her heart, determination, and talent throughout the tournament.

During the event, Jerzie played in four games, taking on different positions including catcher, right field, and left field. Defensively, she had multiple attempts at throwdowns, achieving five putouts and one assist. Offensively, Jerzie contributed two solid hits, two walks, and scored two runs.

This All-State event featured some of the finest young talent from across Oklahoma, making her victory even more impressive. Jerzie's championship win caps off an extraordinary season and adds another

highlight to her already impressive youth sports resume. She plans to participate in school ball for Kingfisher as well as travel ball this year. Additionally, Jerzie has been invited to play in Nationals this December, so be sure to keep an eye out for her. Congratulations, Jerzie! Photos Provided



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- Wednesday, August 13**
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Playtime

Thursday, August 14
1ST DAY OF SCHOOL
12 – 1pm Lion's Club Family Cafe
5 – 6pm HS Softball vs
Blackwell (A)
5 – 6pm JH Softball vs
Tonkawa (H)
Community Action Team
Meeting 6:30 pm at 6067
Madison St.

Friday, August 15
HENNESSEY OPEN RODEO
10am Library opens late
(in-house training)
2 – 3pm HS Sports Media Day
4:30 – 5:30pm JH Softball
vs Chisholm (H)
6 – 7pm Meet the Eagles

Saturday, August 16
HENNESSEY OPEN RODEO
10 – 11am HS Football -
Blue/White Scrimmage

Monday, August 18
4:30 – 5:30pm HS Softball
vs Pioneer (H)
4:30 – 5:30pm JH Softball
vs Pioneer (A)

Tuesday, August 19
Mason Meeting at Coronado
Lodge
4 – 5pm Teen Funtivities Club
Hennessey Public Library
4:30 – 5:30pm JH Softball vs
Fairview (A)
5 – 6pm HS Softball vs Perry (H)

Wednesday, August 20
10 – 11am Littlest Patron
Playtime
- Thursday, August 21**
HS Softball Cashion Tournament
12 – 1pm Lion's Club Family Cafe
4 – 5pm HS Volleyball vs
Harding Fine Arts (A)

Friday, August 22
HS Softball Cashion Tournament
6 – 7pm HS Football vs
Watonga (Scrimmage) H

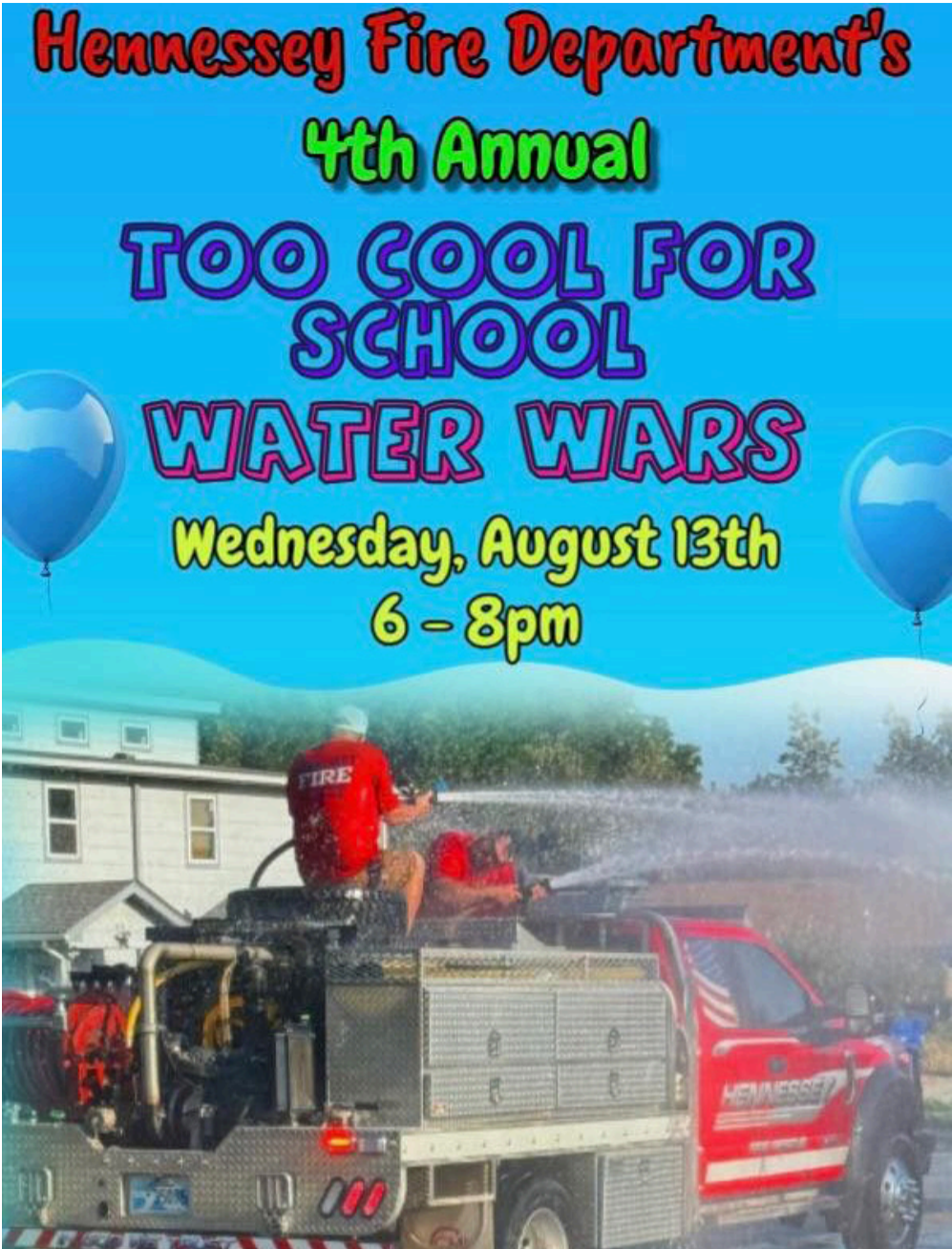
Saturday, August 23
HS Softball Cashion Tournament
HS Volleyball Hennessey
Tournament
JH/HS CC @ Weatherford

Monday, August 25
4 – 5pm JH/HS Volleyball
vs OBA (A)
4:30 – 5:30pm HS Softball
vs Fairview (H)

Tuesday, August 26
4 – 5pm Teen Funtivities Club
Hennessey Public Library
4:30 – 5:30pm HS Softball
vs Cashion (A)
4:30 – 5:30pm HS Volleyball
vs Cement (H)
4:30 – 5:30pm JH Softball
vs Cashion (H)

Wednesday, August 27
10 – 11am Littlest Patron
Playtime
5 – 6pm Band Instrument Rental
w/ Midwest Music

Thursday, August 28
HS Softball Chisholm
Tournament (Day 1/3)
12 – 1pm Lion's Club Family Cafe
4:30 – 5:30pm JH/HS Volleyball
vs Corn Bible (A)
5 – 6:30pm Band instrument
rental w/ Palen Music in the
band room



**PREPARE TO GET SOAKED! HENNESSEY WATER WARS 2025
BIGGER, BETTER, & WETTER!**

Mark your calendars and hide your dry clothes, Hennessey Water Wars 2025 is coming in hot (and very wet) on Wednesday, August 13th, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM! Hosted annually by the Hennessey Fire Department as a back-to-school splash-fest, this year's event promises to be the most epic soak-down in town history.

And guess what? It's new and improved. That's right, more trucks, and more water! Hennessey firefighters want to ensure maximum splash radius. Their mission? Get Hennessey as wet as humanly possible. Each truck will follow assigned routes to avoid doubling back and to ensure water coverage across town is efficient and drenching. Pro tip: The more of you that gather together, the more likely you are to get hosed! Here's where you can grab your ammo.....err, we mean balloons:

- Pat Hennessey Park, Arapaho Street
- LiFE-EMS on Oklahoma Street
- Boy Scout Park (S. Cheyenne & 2nd St.)
- Cristo Rey Church

About 3,500 water balloons will be tossed from fire trucks and stationed around town. And if that's not enough, they're thinking about parking tanker trucks in the gravel parking lot west of the auditorium with hoses for the kids to hose down the fire crews as they pass by!

This year, an official Water Wars Command Center will help dispatch trucks where the fun is happening, so if your block's feeling dry, rally the kids and make some noise!

Got a hose? A super soaker? A cooler full of balloons? Perfect. Let the reverse splash attack begin! Firefighters might have the big hoses, but you've got water power too, so be ready to drench them right back. Smile and Spray! The All About Hennessey crew will be out filming a video about the mayhem, so don't forget to wave (or throw a balloon their way, we dare you).

-HENNESSEY'S HOMETOWN NEWSPAPER-

CLASSIFIED LISTINGS

HELP WANTED

HENNESSEY PD IS HIRING

The Hennessey Police Department is accepting applications for a Full-time officer and a reserve police officer. Must be at least 21 years old, no felony convictions, crimes of moral turpitude or convictions of domestic violence. CLEET certification is desired but not required. Competitive salary and benefits package. Most equipment provided. Applications can be obtained at the police department Monday - Friday 7:00am - 5:00pm, 110 East 2nd Street, in Hennessey or online at <https://hennesseyok.org/wp.../uploads/2020/05/townapp.pdf>

The Town is an equal opportunity employer. (405) 853-7130 Hiring for 3 Reserve Patrol Officers
•Applicants must be a citizen of the United States and possess a valid OK Driver License •Applicants must have a High School Diploma or GED equivalent •CLEET Certification is preferred, but not required •Applicants may be subject to written, physical, and MMPI testing •Applicants must pass a background investigation and oral interview • Applicants cannot have pending criminal charges and must not have had a DUI, DWI or Reckless Driving violation within the last five years.
• Applicants must be able to work all shifts (to include weekends and holidays) as needed and/or required Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Applications may be obtained from the Hennessey Police Department at 110 East 2nd Street, Hennessey, OK 73742

FARMSTEAD FURNITURE IS HIRING PART-TIME HELP!

Job Duties are but not limited to: Able to load/unload furniture, Good with Computers/Social Media, Excellent Customer Service skills, Keep the store/furniture clean. Compensation - \$10 hourly wage and commission on sales performance. Visit in store to apply. Available Tuesday-Friday and Saturdays. Looking for reliable, outgoing, and hardworking individuals. 110 South Main Street Hennessey, OK

HENNESSEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS HIRING

2nd grade teacher, Elem. Vocal Music instructor, Bus Driver, Substitute Teacher, Paraprofessional openings. visit <https://hps.k12.ok.us/11105> for more details.

HELP WANTED

CAREER WITH SEABOARD FOODS

Join one of our many teams dedicated to one purpose: Bringing Excellence to the Table. Seaboard Foods offer great benefits, competitive wages, and a unique career path based on your interests that helps you reach your full potential. If you enjoy a challenge and making an impact, apply today! •Truck Wash Team Member-Night LIV-9679 •Animal Caretaker LVA-9084 •Farm Operations Management Trainee Hennessey LIV-9646 •Assistant Feedmill Manager LIV-9583

SEABOARD FOODS IS HIRING

Animal caretakers are responsible for attending to and caring for pigs in our swine production facilities. On-the-job training is provided; related experience is not necessary.

The ERM Team Member will assist the Environmental Supervisor in the daily monitoring of lagoons and lagoon levels. Assists in the maintenance of equipment associated with the lagoons such as sprinklers, pumps and motors.

ROAD SHARK TRUCKING IS HIRING

Road Shark Trucking is looking for a CDL Truck Driver. -2 Years CDL Experience -End Dump Experience Preferred -Must Have Clean Driving Record. You can call or text Feiman for more information at 405-699-1313

WORK READY OKLAHOMA - ENID

The WORKlahoma Job & Resource Fair is happening on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 — and it's going to be our biggest one yet! 30+ employers and community partners will be on site, and we want YOU to be part of it. 301 S Independence St. Enid, OK 73701

FARMERS ELECTRIC IS HIRING

Looking For Professional Hires Journeyman and Apprentice Opportunities Available .Benefits Included Visit our website farmerselec.com or call our office for more information 405-853-2597

FAMILY CAFE IS HIRING

Family Cafe is looking for a reliable and experienced breakfast cook! Must be able to work Sunday 7-12. English and Spanish speakers preferred. Please provide resume and 2 references. Interested applicants should contact Sara at sfisher1964@gmail.com

HENNESSEY NURSING & REHAB

Help Wanted: CNA's – various shifts LPN – FLEX M-F Some evenings, weekends and holidays required. Contact: Doug Dollarhide or Julie Torson at 405-853-4390

SERVICES

BISON DRIVING SCHOOL

Bison Driving School Upcoming Drivers Ed Classes:

Bison Driving School Website:
bisondrivingschool.com
Phone: 580.231.4676

PLUMBING TO BRAGG ABOUT

Need a plumber? BRAGG Heat + Air, Plumbing & Electrical recently expanded their services to include plumbing. You can contact them at 405-368-3730 for all your plumber service needs!

M6 WRECKER AND RECOVERY

Need a Tow? M6 Wrecker & Recovery covers all towing from light, medium, heavy-duty, and all recovery needs. They serve Kingfisher, Blaine County, and the surrounding areas with 24/7 services. Contact them at 405-368-5777

FARMERS ELECTRIC HENNESSEY

RESIDENTIAL | COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL | AGRICULTURAL
We offer versatile, competitive and economic support in the electrical market. Phone 405-853-2597

RENTALS

BULLIS PROPERTIES

3 bedroom 2 bath mobile home
3 bedroom 1 bath mobile home
One 2 bedroom 1 bath apartment
Pick up an application in Hennessey, located at 1058 S Main St Contact (405) 853-1297

409 CENTER HAS SPACE

DO YOU OFFER SERVICES? 409 CENTER HAS SPACE FOR RENT at the 409 Center in Hennessey. Call Kelly Bullis for details at (405) 368-3443.

- Office Space
- Barber/hair stylist
- Nail technician
- Massage therapist

FOR SALE

For Sale: BRAND NEW Hotsy 3000 PSI Power Washer. A Top-of-the-line Hotsy power washer. Details: 3000 PSI pressure, Diesel-fired burner, Gas-powered engine, Built for heavy-duty cleaning. Asking \$7,500 Contact John Hoover at 580-603-0918



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HAY SERVICE
SWATHING & BALING
405-368-7555



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Hennessey

AUGUST 15TH & 16TH OPEN RODEO START @ 8PM

ADMISSION

\$10 ADULTS

\$5 KIDS (6-12)

BUCKLES

MIN \$3,500 ADDED

EVENTS

\$100 RANCH BRONC

\$100 TIE DOWN ROPING

\$100 BREAKAWAY ROPING

\$100 STEER WRESTLING

\$100 OPEN BARRELS

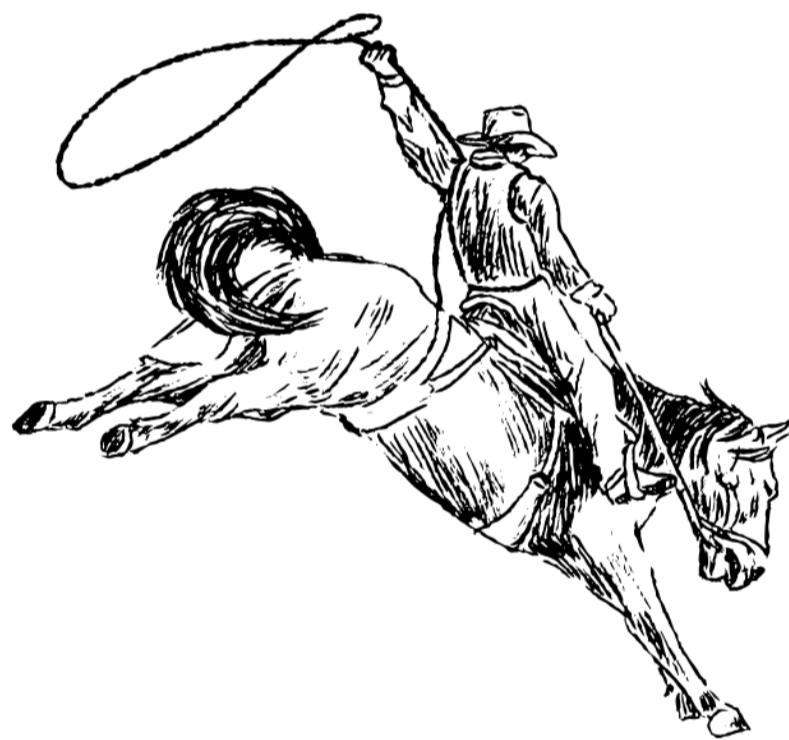
\$50 JR BARRELS 14 & UNDER

\$100 BULL RIDING

\$100 JR BULLS 16 & UNDER

\$100 TEAM ROPING

ENTER DAY OF RODEO
BOOKS CLOSE @ 7:30PM



KIDS EVENTS

GREASED PIG

CALF SCRAMBLE

\$20 MUTTON BUSTING

THERE WILL BE A LIMIT ON SHEEP RIDERS
FIRST COME FIRST SERVE DAY OF

FOR QUESTIONS: CHARLIE (405)853-5450

Prices Effective: August 13-19, 2025

STOREWIDE SAVINGS



**Quarter Loin
Pork Chops**

\$1.99
lb.



**Chicken
Breast**

boneless, skinless
previously frozen

\$2.99
lb.



**Choice Beef
Chuck Steak**

boneless, family pk.
single pk...\$6.19 lb.

\$5.99
lb.



**Large
Seedless
Watermelons**

\$4.98
ea.

**Fritos, Cheetos or
Cheetos Popcorn**

Select Varieties
p.p. \$5.89

2/\$6



**Yoplait
Yogurt**
Select Varieties
4-6 oz.

3/\$2



**Kraft
Salad
Dressing**
Select Varieties
16 oz.

\$2.98



**American Beauty
Pasta**
Select Varieties
12-16 oz.

2/\$3

**Prego
Pasta Sauce**
Select Varieties
23.6-24 oz.

\$1.98



MORE Grocery SAVINGS

Food Club
**Sandwich
White Bread**
24 oz.

2/\$3



Post
Cereal
Select Varieties
15-20.5 oz.

\$4⁴⁹



Pop-Tarts
Select Varieties
8 ct.

\$2⁴⁹



On The Border
Tortilla Chips
Select Varieties
8-11.5 oz.

\$2⁸⁸



Dole
Fruit Cups
Select Varieties
4 pk.

\$2⁹⁹



Libby's
Vegetables
Select Varieties
11-15.25 oz.

5/\$5



Idahoan
Potatoes
Select Varieties
4-4.1 oz.

2/\$3



Tide
**Laundry
Detergent**
Select Varieties
73-84 oz. liquid

\$12⁹⁹



Lay's
Potato Chips
Select Varieties
regular or
kettle cooked
p.p. \$4.99

2/\$6



Hostess
Snacks
Select Varieties
11.6-13.5 oz.

2/\$7



Jolly Time
**Microwave
Popcorn**
Select Varieties
3 ct.

\$2⁹⁹



Van Camp's
**Pork & Beans or
Baked Beans**
original
15 oz.

\$1⁰⁰

**BIG
SAVINGS**



Nissin
Noodles
Select Varieties
2.89-4 oz.

\$1⁰⁰



Shawnee Mills
Country Gravy Mix
country or peppercorn
2.75 oz.

\$1⁰⁰



Chicken Of The Sea
**Wild Caught
Light Tuna**
Select Varieties
2.5 oz. pouch

\$1²⁹



Kleenex
Facial Tissue
ultra soft or
anti-viral
55-60 ct.

\$1⁹⁹

Frozen & Dairy CASE



Food Club
Sour Cream
Select Varieties
8 oz.

\$1²⁹



Wide Awake
Coffee Co.
Coffee Creamer
Select Varieties
32 oz.

\$2⁸⁹



Food Club
**Shredded or
Chunk Cheese**
Select Varieties
32 oz.

\$6⁴⁹



Simply
Fruit Drinks
Select Varieties
52 oz.

\$2⁶⁹



Food Club
Cinnamon Rolls
original or cream
cheese icing
8 ct.

\$2¹⁹



Country Crock
**Spread or
Squeeze**
Select Varieties
14-15 oz.

\$3⁴⁹



Crav'n Flavor
**Ice Cream or
Sherbet**
Select Varieties
48 oz.

\$3⁴⁹



Jimmy Dean
Breakfast Bowls
Select Varieties
7-9 oz.

\$2⁹⁹



Smart Ones
Dinners
Select Varieties
6.49-11.5 oz.

2/\$5



Tony's
Pizza
Pepperoni
or Cheese
18.5-18.9 oz.

\$3⁹⁹



Green Giant
**Simply Steam
Vegetables**
Select Varieties
9-10 oz.

\$1⁹⁹



Gorton's
**Popcorn Shrimp,
Fish Sticks or
Fillets**
Select Varieties
14-19 oz.

\$7⁹⁹

Non-Food *where available*



BioFreeze
**Pain Relieving Gel
or Spray**
2.5-3 oz.

\$9⁹⁵



Prell
Hair Products
Select Varieties
12-13.5 oz.

\$3⁶⁹



Bic
Cristal Pens
black, blue or red
10 ct.

\$1⁴⁹



Avery
Hi-Liter
yellow
2 ct.

\$1¹⁹



Look for
this week's
**SMART
BUY**
SPECIALS!



Capri Sun
Drink Pouches
Select Varieties
10 ct. 6 oz.

\$4²⁵



Simply Done
**Snack or Sandwich
Zipper Bags**
Select Varieties
70-90 ct.

\$2⁶⁵



Bakery *where available*



Our Specialty
**Treat Shop
Parfaits**
Select Varieties
4.5 oz.

\$2⁹⁹



U.S. Bakery
Brioche Buns
8 ct.

\$4⁹⁹



Cyrus O'Leary's
Mini Cream Pies
Select Varieties
7 oz.

\$2⁹⁹



Simple Joys Bakery
Iced Sliced Cake
Select Varieties
3.5-4 oz.

\$2¹⁹



Cascade
**Dishwasher
Detergent**
complete or platinum
12-16 ct. actionpacs

\$6³⁵



Cottonelle
Bath Tissue
4 mega rolls
ultra clean

\$6⁸⁵

Fresh MEAT



Center Cut Pork Loin Chops
Bone In

\$2.49
lb.



Choice Beef Chuck Roast
boneless

\$5.49
lb.

Cape Covelle
Cooked Shrimp
51/60 ct., p&d
tail-on, 1 lb. bag

\$7.99



Pork Spare Ribs
fresh

\$2.99
lb.



Daily's
Thick Cut Bacon
Select Varieties
24 oz.

\$9.99

Ledbetter
Beef Tenderloin
Filet
bacon wrapped
6 oz.

\$5.99



Bar S
Smoked Ham
1.75 lb.

\$6.99



El Monterey
Burritos or
Chimichangas
Select Varieties
32 oz.

\$5.99

Bar S
Jumbo Meat, Chicken or
Bun Length Franks
Select Varieties
1 lb.

\$2.39



Bar S
Cotto Salami
or Bologna
classic, thick or garlic
1 lb.

\$2.79



Bar S
Smoked Sausage
classic, hot honey or polish
2.5 lb. family pk.

\$7.99



Zatarain's
Cajun, Chicken or
Andouille Sausage
14 oz.

\$4.99



El Monterey
Breakfast Wraps
bacon, egg & cheese
28.8 oz.

\$6.99



Ole Xtreme Wellness
High Fiber
Tortilla Wraps
original or
spinach & herbs
8 ct.

\$3.99



Fresh PRODUCE



Sugar Bee
Apples

\$1.49
lb.



Yellow
Onions
3 lb. bag

\$1.99



U.S. No. 1
Russet Potatoes
10 lb. bag

\$3.99



Crisp
Celery

\$1.29
ea.



Broccoli
Crowns
Garden Fresh

\$2.49
lb.



Hass
Avocados
5 ct. bag

\$3.99



Blackberries
6 oz.

\$2.99



Blueberries
6 oz.

\$2.99

DELI where available



Fried
Chicken
8 pieces

\$10.99



Mrs. Gerry's
Cheesecake
Supreme

\$6.99
lb.



Mrs. Gerry's
Summer Fresh
Pasta Salad

\$4.99
lb.



DePalo Foods
Calzones or
Stromboli
Select Varieties
8 oz.

\$4.99

Hershey's
Chocolate
Syrup
24 oz.

\$3.99



Betty Crocker
Dinner
Helpers
Select Varieties
6-7 oz.

2/\$4

