

## **Second Quarter 2022 Issues – KGFF-AM, Shawnee, OK**

4/1/22

The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation is investigating the death of a man inside the Pottawatomie County Public Safety Center. Russell Gage says his 78-year-old father Jerry Gage was assaulted at the Pottawatomie County Safety Center two weeks ago. Gage says his father was then taken to OU Medical Center where he was placed on life support. Jerry Gage died on Monday after being taken off life support. OSBI and the Pottawatomie County Public Safety Center have not released any details but say they are investigating the case.

4/6/22

Seminole County and the City of Seminole are praising a K9 and her handler for what they believe to be the biggest drug bust in Seminole police department history. Seminole Police officer Billy Messner says his K9, Raven, is trained to alert at the scent of four different narcotics. This time, during a traffic stop, Messner says Raven sniffed out about 22 pounds of methamphetamine, which has a street value of about \$100,000. The suspect was identified as Donald Griggs. Griggs was arrested after leading officers on a 41 minute chase that had speeds of up to 100 miles per hour.

4/22/22

The preliminary hearing for former Shawnee High School basketball coach Ron Arthur has been pushed back a week because the victims have asked the district attorney to recuse himself over a possible conflict of interest. The former Shawnee coach was arrested in August on several felony sex crime charges involving a teen. The lead investigator on the case says Arthur groomed and abused teens for at least 15 years while the school district covered it up. Ron Arthur's preliminary hearing will take place on April 29<sup>th</sup>.

5/2/22

Mandatory redistricting has caused some precinct boundaries to change in Pottawatomie and Lincoln counties. As a result, some voters will be assigned a new polling place. Precinct boundary lines must be evaluated every 10 years following the federal census. New voter ID cards, along with new polling place information, will be mailed to all voters effected by the new precinct lines. Polling place changes are effective immediately.

5/5/22

Authorities are assessing the damage after a tornado outbreak in Pottawatomie and Seminole county yesterday evening. Seminole County undersheriff Matt Haley said that there were reports of people being trapped because of the damage but crews were able to get them out. Seminole authorities also said that they plan to use drones to assess damage and that power is still out throughout Seminole. In response to the tornado outbreak Seminole Public schools has canceled classes today and tomorrow. The American Red Cross has set up a temporary shelter at Seminole State College.

5/10/22

The Seminole State College Board of Regents appointed Dr. Amanda Estey as the new Vice President of Academic Affairs. Dr. Estey will take over following the retirement of current VP of Academic Affairs, Dr. Linda Goeller, in June. Dr. Estey has served as the dean of academic affairs at Ellsworth Community College in Iowa Falls, Iowa since 2018. Dr. Estey will begin her role at Seminole State on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

5/31/22

Seminole State College is hosting an All-Black Towns of Oklahoma exhibit on campus until June 9<sup>th</sup>. The exhibit will be on the first floor of the Enoch Kelly Haney Center and it is free and open to the public. The exhibit follows the history of all-black communities established in Oklahoma following the land run. As many as 50 of these communities arose. Despite Jim Crow laws enacted following Oklahoma statehood, many of these communities continued to thrive. The exhibit consists of 12 panels featuring more than 100 years of history. The exhibit was curated by the Oklahoma History Center.

6/14/22

The Potawatomi Fire's inaugural season came to an end over the weekend as the Shreveport Mavericks eliminated the Fire in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the playoffs two games to one. After winning Game One in Shawnee on Wednesday 113-100, the Fire fell to Shreveport in Game Two on Friday 120-107 and in Game Three 120-110. The Fire finished their first season in TBL with a 21-8 record. Despite the season coming to an end, a couple of players are up for individual awards. Anthony Allen is a finalist for Defensive Player of the Year while Deshawn Munson is up for Newcomer of the Year and Most Valuable Player. Those awards will be announced later.