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On behalf of the Stilwell Kiwanis Club, it is my sincere pleasure to welcome you to the 67th Annual Stilwell Strawberry Festival. The Kiwanis Club members have worked hard this past year to make sure this Festival meets your approval.

Our festival began in 1948 as a way to promote and support the strawberry industry in Adair County and has consistently taken place the second Saturday in May since that time. It has grown from a "block long" parade to an event that draws over 20,000 people during the four days of events and activities.

Today, the strawberry festival helps to promote and support the mission of the Kiwanis Club, which is improving the world one child and one community at a time. All proceeds are used to accomplish that mission in the Stilwell community by funding programs and activities that benefit children.

Some of the programs and activities funded by the Kiwanis Club include Relay for Life, Angel Tree Project, 4th of July fireworks display, annual Easter egg hunt, Stilwell Library, Stilwell Scholarship Fund, Shop With A Cop Program, and the DHS Foster Children Christmas Fund, Red Cross, and Salvation Army, just to name a few.

We could never host an event of this magnitude without the help and support of those individuals and groups listed on the inside back cover of this booklet. Without their loyal support each year, the Strawberry Festival would not exist.

In the center of this booklet, you will find a schedule of events for the festival. With such a wide range of things to do and see, we hope everyone will be pleased with what the Stilwell Strawberry Festival has to offer and will come back to our community the second Saturday in May every year.

Respectfully,
Dan Collins, President
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Kiwanis Club Members

President's Welcome



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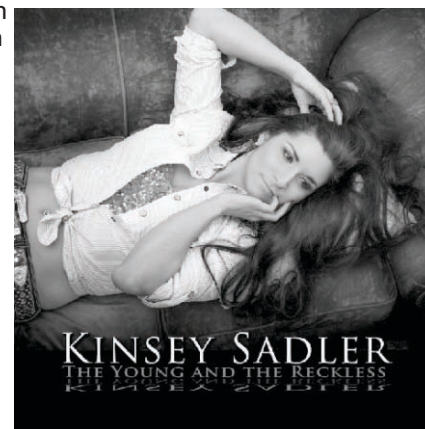
Kinsey Sadler is becoming one of the most liked and busiest female country artist performing in the Midwest region. She is under the management team of Johnny Morris Production/Evergreen Records of Nashville, TN. Sadler's vocal strength has been compared to artist such as Miranda Lambert and Gretchen Wilson to the pure soul of Shania Twain and Martina McBride. Sadler takes pride in her live performance and when you see a show there is no denying her ability to electrify the audience. She has been featured alongside Aaron Lewis, Glorianna, Steel Magnolia, Gwen Sebastian, Jerrod Niemann, Wade Hayes, Kentucky Headhunters, JB and the Moonshine Band, and Bart Crow.

Kinsey's music is listed in several publications, including All Access Country, Cool Music, Only Lyrics, Got Country Magazine, and Nashville industry publication Music Row. Currently her music is playing on several stations around the United States and Europe. Her first single "Sometimes I Forgot" charted on Nashville's Music Row at number 53. On Only Lyrics, Top 100 Songs of the week, "Sometimes I Forgot" charted at number 15. Kinsey's single fell just behind Brad Paisley number 13, Kenny Chesney number 14, and in front of Billy Currington number 16, Lady Antebellum number 17. "Sometimes I Forgot" took the number 2 spot for the most requested lyrics to a song.

The title track from her debut CD "The Young And The Reckless", released this past fall and is currently receiving air time nationally and in Europe. Writing contributions to Kinsey's CD include platinum and gold song writers Heidi Newfield and Don Goodman. Heidi Newfield was the former lead of Trick Pony with top 5 billboard hits "Pour Me" and as a soloist "Johnny and June"; and Don Goodman has written several charted songs most notable Blake Shelton's "Ol' Red" and Alabama's "Angels Among Us". Kinsey is currently working with Mr. Goodman on other projects for the future. Musical contributions were made by, Academy of Country Music Drummer of the Year award winner, Eddie Bayers, and Kenny Chesney's guitarist Jon Conley. Sound production was done by the legendary Billy Sherrill at Nashville's Sound Emporium.

As Kinsey's popularity grows from a regional to national following, she is looking forward to traveling to outside of the four state regions. "I'm an Oklahoma girl, but I've been traveling since I was little so being on the road is nothing new. I love every venue I have played from big to small, it doesn't matter. If I get to share my music with the fans I'll be satisfied."

Connecting with the audience is Kinsey's passion. "When I am on stage looking into the audience and see a reaction to a song, it thrills me to know I made that connection, to emotionally move someone." It's not just through her acclaimed vocals, but her stage performance that works to bring a total entertainment package. If you haven't seen Kinsey Sadler yet, take an opportunity for a memorable time and go catch a show soon!



Rivers Edge Band: Based out of the Tahlequah area, a project formed by Jimmy Hullinger. The band consists of Shon Finney from Muskogee, who plays the drums, who has played with numerous artists and is accomplished in many genres from country to jazz. Jeremy Rhoden from Ft. Gibson is a business owner and a long time musician. He is the bassist in the group and also shares his vocal ability on harmony parts as well as singing lead on many songs. Brandon Snook a Muskogee resident and accomplished engineer, is the group's lead guitar player, and part time lead vocalist. Brandon's musical style stems from influences such as Bob Seger and Jimmy Hendrix, to Waylon Jennings and Brent Mason. Gary Sizemore from Tahlequah, is the group's "utility man." He can do it all. Trained in Classical Music, he can play anything put in front of him. His fiddle playing cannot be matched, as well as his keyboard ability. He also strengthens the group with his harmony vocals. He also owns his own business. Shawn Crittenden, from Peavine, is the groups lead singer. He also provides harmony and acoustic and bass guitar. Shawn

teaches English and Coaches Basketball, Football, and Track. His influences are Keith Whitley, John Anderson, Merle, and Vern. The band currently plays the Cherokee Casino circuit which includes Hard Rock in Castoosa, Ramona, Ft. Gibson, Sallisaw, Claremore, and Siloam. The band collectively has shared the stage with many artists such as Gene Watson, Daryle Singletary, Ray Price, Carrie Underwood, Swon Brothers, just to mention a few. The band consists of hard working family men, on and off of the stage. This makes for good times for not only the band, but for everyone in attendance at the shows.

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May 10, 2014



Dear Friends:

On behalf of the state of Oklahoma, I would like to welcome you to the 67th Annual Stilwell Strawberry Festival. The Strawberry Festival, one of the oldest festivals in Oklahoma, is a time-honored tradition that began many years ago to support local strawberry growers and the Stilwell community.

The festival has continued throughout the years to be a highly anticipated event for the Stilwell community and visitors that come to take part in the contests, 5K run, parade, berry auction, tasty food and delicious strawberries, arts and crafts and other events that make the festival a success each year. Also featured this year are country music entertainers, Kinsey Sadler and The Rivers Edge Band.

I would like to commend the Stilwell Kiwanis Club, city of Stilwell, the Stilwell Area Chamber of Commerce and all those who make the festival a fun and successful event for this community and our great state.

Sincerely,
Mary Fallin
Governor

City of Stilwell
Office of the Mayor
Ronnie Trentham-Mayor
Chief Executive Officer



On behalf of the City of Stilwell, I would like to welcome you to the 67th annual Stilwell Strawberry Festival! While you are here, make sure you take time to enjoy the wide variety of activities going on during this weekend. There is the race, parade, carnival as well as the rodeo. Join us at the bandstand after the parade for live music, the coronation of the Strawberry Festival queen and stay for the free strawberries and ice cream!

Hope you will join us again next year!
Ronnie Trentham
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**2014 Strawberry Festival Queen
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Summer attends Stilwell First Baptist Church. She is a freshman at Carl Albert State College, where she is on the President's Honor Roll. She was the first runner up in the 2013 Strawberry Queen Pageant. She volunteers her time tutoring students at Stilwell High School, works with the AWANA program at her church and other children's ministries. She also attends mission trips during the summer. Summer also enjoys hunting and fishing. She is majoring in Pre-Med and plans to attend the University of Oklahoma School of Medicine.

Ever since I was a little girl, it has been my dream to become the Strawberry Festival Queen. Now that this dream has become reality, I'm extremely honored and excited to serve as an ambassador for Adair County! As reigning Queen, I hope to shine with the love of Jesus for others and always give the glory to Him. I pray that I am a strong voice for our community and that I am never too busy to lend a helping hand. I'm beyond thankful to my family and friends for their love and support. I couldn't have made it this far without their encouraging words and advice. I hope to make you all proud as I serve as your 2014 Strawberry Festival Queen!



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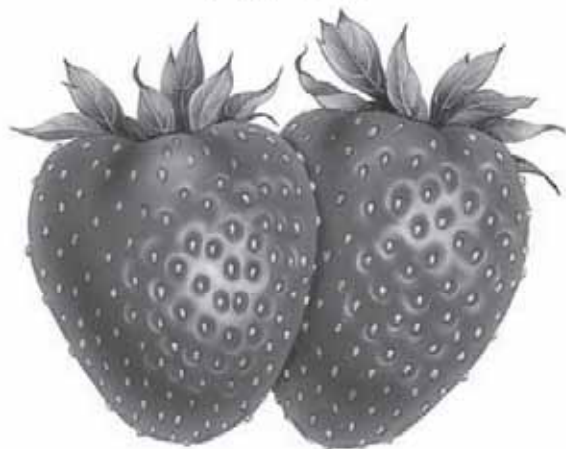
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2014 Festival Royalty



First Runner Up -Miss Jacey Coates

Jacey is a sophomore at Westville High School. She is a member of the National Honor Society and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She attends the Westville Pentecostal Church where she is active in the youth group and choir. Jacey was the 2012 Miss Loyalty and the second place winner in the Oklahoma State Science and Math Contest. She is involved in sports including varsity and competitive cheer, volleyball and soccer. Jacey plans to complete high school with honors and earn a degree in elementary education.

Second Runner Up -Miss Cheyenne McCrary

Cheyenne is a junior at Westville High School, where she serves as student council secretary. She is a five year volleyball player and has been a member of the academic team for three years. She participated in a mission trip to Florida to help clean and renew churches. Cheyenne recently received 2nd place in Congressman Markwayne Mullin Constitution Essay Contest. After high school, Cheyenne plans to attend Northeastern State University to major in early childhood development and become an elementary teacher. She also plans to get married and have a family, someday.



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Nevaeh Wing

2005
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2007
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2009
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2011
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An exciting part of the festival is the annual strawberry queen pageant. The young ladies who participate are awarded opportunities for scholarships as well as instruction in poise and interviewing skills. In addition, they create memories, friendships and experiences that will last a lifetime.

The Strawberry Festival would not be possible without the Kiwanis Club and the assistance and cooperation of the Fire Department, City officials, County Commissioners and the many different organizations and volunteers that help make it such a success and wonderful experience year after year.

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1st Place	Jeral Poor	Strawberry Bread & Butter
2nd Place	Anjileque's Chumley	Strawberry Cheesecake
3rd Place	Colene Stephenson	Coco's Strawberry Cake

Youth:

1st Place	Joseph Cunningham	Strawberry & Cream Cake
2nd Place	Savannah Cunningham	Banana Strawberry Cream Pie
3rd Place	Kyson Hardbarger	Strawberry Pinwheels



First Place: Joseph Cunningham Strawberry & Cream Cake

1 box cake mix, 1 cup all purpose flour, 1 cup sugar, ¾ tsp. salt, 1 ½ cup water, 2 Tbsp. melted butter, 1 tsp. vanilla, 1 cup sour cream, 3 eggs, 1 strawberry jello, ½ container of whipped cream, 5-7 strawberries.

Mix all dry ingredients and then add wet ingredients. Bake cake at 350 for 35 minutes or until toothpick comes out clean. Let cool. Mix Jell-O and pour over cake after poking cake with a butter knife. Top with whipped cream and strawberries.

Second Place: Savannah Cunningham Banana Strawberry Cream Pie

One box banana pudding, 1 & ¾ cups milk, 6-8 sliced strawberries, 1-2 banana sliced, ½- 1 small container of whipped cream, 1 graham cracker crust.

Mix box of pudding and milk until it has thickened. Layer bananas slices on the pie crust. Then pour pudding over the bananas. Top with whipped cream and strawberries. Chill for 2 hours.

Third Place: Kyson Hardbarger Strawberry Pinwheels

One cup strawberries, one package (8oz) cream cheese, ¼ - ½ cup sugar, 1 tsp. vanilla, dash of cinnamon, 3-4 tortillas. Using a mixer, blend together the cream cheese, sugar, vanilla, and cinnamon. Stir in chopped strawberries. Spread mixture on tortillas and roll up. Put in freezer for one hour. Cut & serve.

First Place: Jeral Poor

Strawberry Bread

3 cups flour, 1 tsp. baking soda, 2 cups sugar, 1 & ¼ cups oil, 1 & ¼ cups chopped pecans, 1 tsp. salt, 1 Tbsp. cinnamon, 3 beaten eggs, 2 (10oz) pkg. strawberries thawed.

Combine dry ingredients. Make a well and add eggs and oil. Stir only until moist. Add strawberries and juice and pecans. Put into two greased and floured loaf pans. Bake 325 for one hour. Let stand before slicing.

Strawberry Butter

½ cup butter softened, ½ cup powdered sugar, 1 (10oz) package frozen strawberries, thawed and drained. Have all ingredients at room temperature. Mix together butter and sugar; blend strawberries.

Second Place: Anjileque Chumley

Anjileque's Strawberry Cheesecake

One pound cream style cottage cheese, 1 & ½ cups sugar, 1/3 cup cornstarch, ½ cup melted butter, ½ cup graham cracker crumbs, 2 (8oz) cream cheese, 4 eggs, slightly beaten, 2 Tbsp. lemon juice, 1 pint sour cream.

Grease one 9 inch spring form pan and dust with graham crumbs. Cream cottage cheese in blender, add cream cheese and blend on high. Blend in sugar, then eggs. Reduce speed and add corn starch & lemon juice. Add melted butter and sour cream. Blend at low speed. Pour into prepared pan and bake 325 for one hour and 20 minutes until firm around the edge and lightly browned. Turn off oven and let cake stand inside for at least 2 hours. Remove from oven. When completely cooled add strawberries in glaze (one pint of strawberries sliced and stirred into one container of lite house strawberry glaze). Cut strawberries in half lengthwise & ring around top of cheesecake outer edge. Carefully spoon sliced strawberries in glaze on top of cake.

Third Place: Colene Stephenson

Coco's Strawberry Cake

One Duncan Hines Strawberry Cake Mix with Flavor Crystals, 1 jar of strawberry jam, 1 jar of raspberry sauce, and 12 fresh strawberries cut in half. Frosting- beat together until smooth: 1 stick softened butter, 2 (8oz) cream cheese softened, 1 tsp. vanilla, 1 tsp. almond extract, and ¼ tsp. salt.

Prepare cake as directed on box. Fill two 9x9 cake pans ½ full. Bake as directed. Let cool. Place first cake on serving plate and spread frosting in a thin layer on top. Next spread strawberry jam on top. Place the second cake on top and frost top and sides. Place strawberries flat side down on top of cake and drizzle raspberry sauce on top.



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2006	James Family Farm	\$2,700	Bank of Commerce
2007	Baird's Stoney Point Farm	\$2,600	Armstrong Bank
2008	James Family Farm	\$3,500	Cherokee Nation Enterprises
2009	David Guevara	\$3,025	Cherokee Nation Enterprises
2010	James Family Farm	\$2,800	Cherokee Nation Entertainment
2011	Rudy Manon	\$3,000	Cherokee Nation Businesses
2012	Chris Herman	\$3,500	Cherokee Nation Businesses
2013	Tyler Woods	\$3,500	Cherokee Nation Businesses



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TERIN FLETCHER - Sophomore of the Year 2013-14



Each year the Stilwell Kiwanis presents a Sophomore Student of the Year Award based on an application submitted by the sophomore students.

This year's recipient is Miss Terin Fletcher. Terin is sophomore at Stilwell High School.

Terin is very active in FFA. Through FFA she shows goats and swine at county, state and national livestock shows. She is also a member of the skeet and archery teams where she has participated at local, district and state competitions. She is an FFA officer and competes in the speech competitions.

Terin also excels in her academics, including advanced classes in English, Chemistry 2 and Trigonometry. She is an active member of

the Service and Leadership club, Key Club, FCCLA, Spanish Club, Math and Science Club, and Student Council.

She attends Powerhouse church where she enjoys volunteering with the youth. Terin also enjoys hunting, riding four wheelers, playing numerous musical instruments and participating in events that show her Cherokee Heritage.



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2013 Strawberry Festival Horseshoe Pitching Contest Results



SINGLES

Place	Winners
First Place	Gary Bearpaw
Second Place	Lindsey Bark
Third Place	Thomas Kingfisher



DOUBLES

Place	Winners
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Third Place	Billy Vann and Ron Mcemore





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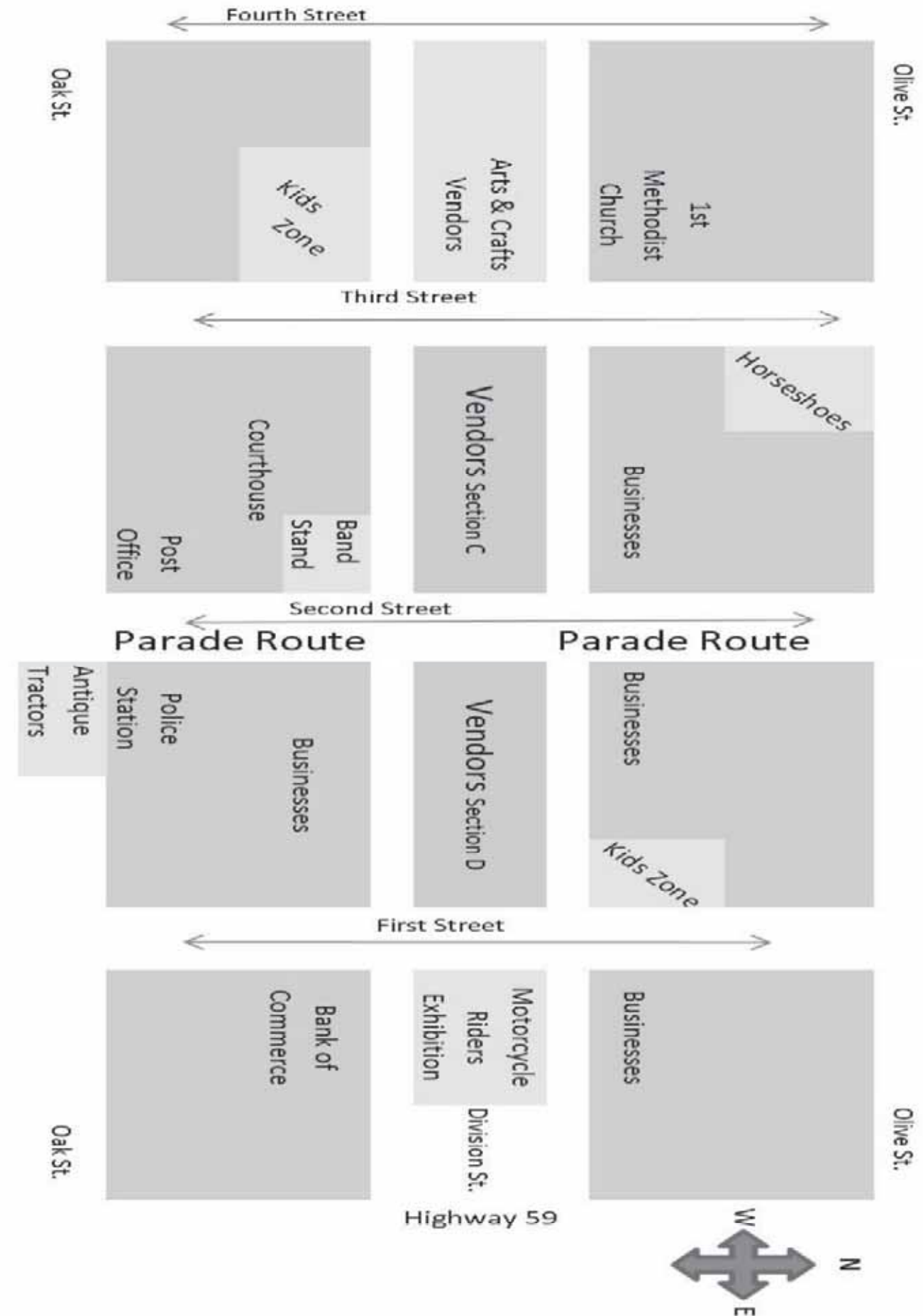
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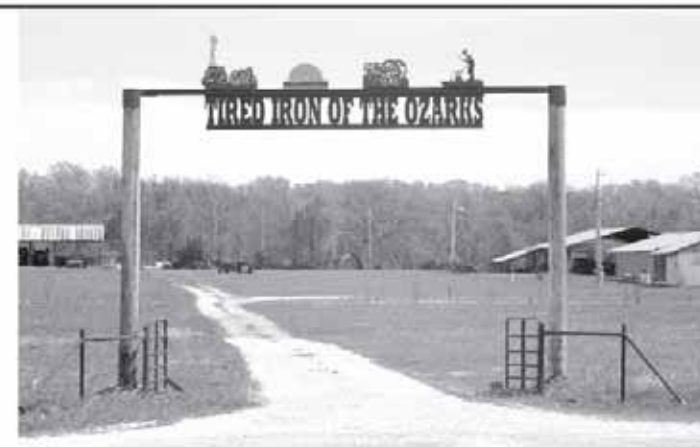
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Outstanding Alumni - Wanda Elliot

Wanda (Morris) Elliott graduated from Stilwell High School in 1957. She is the daughter of the late J.C. and Ruth (Hampton) Morris. Her first years of school were at Wagon and Westville Elementary. The Morris family, including a sister, Shirley and a brother, Jerry moved to Stilwell in 1950 to operate a family business - "Morris Bros. Locker Plant and Grocery." In 1957 Wanda married David Elliott and they attended NSU, graduating in 1960 with a B.S. in Elementary Education. At NSU, she was a member of Alpha Chi and Rho Theta Sigma.

After graduation, Wanda and David moved to Nowata, Oklahoma and taught at Alluwe School for two years. During that time, their son, David Jr. was born and what a blessing he has been to their lives! He and his wife Melissa have given them three beautiful granddaughters, Hannah, Abigail and Rachel. Hannah passed away at age five, but they are forever grateful for those five precious years. Abigail and Rachel attend Sunrise Christian Academy in Wichita, Kansas. Abigail is a sophomore in high school and loves singing, drama and cheerleading. Rachel is a freshman and enjoys sports, art and photography.

The girls are the delight of their lives, as all grandparents will understand!

From Alluwe, the Elliotts moved to Fort Allen Naval Base in Ponce, Puerto Rico where they taught for five years. Quite a switch from small town Oklahoma! Wanda loved the new and varied experiences and absolutely loved living in such a beautiful part of the world with wonderful year round climate!

In 1967 they moved to Wichita, Kansas, their home for the next 28 years. Wanda felt blessed to teach where innovative teaching was encouraged. She sponsored a Science Club and took the members to Kennedy Space Port for Space Camp and other nearby attractions for a week each year in the spring. For most students this was their first time - flying in a plane, swimming in the ocean, going on airboat rides and participating in the space camp activities. Every student who wanted to go, and was willing to work was assured that opportunity... during those years fundraising became a way of life. (Ask David about that!)

Wanda retired after 35 years of public school teaching, and she and David moved back to Stilwell to help care for her mother who was in failing health. She is grateful for the time spent with her parents before their passing.

Soon after moving back to Adair County, Wanda joined the Adair Historical & Genealogical Association and has enjoyed pursuing her hobby of genealogy. Also joining the Going Snake Heritage Association and the Trail of Tears Association she actively volunteered countless hours transcribing territorial and county records, including a data base of those who came to Indian Territory over the Trail of Tears. She has transcribed county funeral home records and the Adair County birth, death, and marriage records for the first 50 years of statehood - 1907-1957. Serving as secretary of AH&GA, she regularly volunteers at The Depot.

Wanda and David are Discipleship Ministry Directors at Stilwell Pentecostal Holiness Church. She is an ordained minister and is the Women's Ministries Director New Horizons Conference.

Wanda has been active in civic and educational affairs of the county. A member of AD-CO Kiwanis, she serves on the board and as a past president and is treasurer of the Stilwell Salvation Army Unit. She is an active member of Adair County Retired Educators Association serving as past president and in 2010 was selected as the Volunteer of the Year for the state of Oklahoma. Invited to join Alpha Delta Kappa in 2002 she is currently president of Nu Chapter.

In 1997 Wanda participated in a mission trip to Colombia where she worked in a school for impoverished children. She was struck by the hunger for education that she saw there. Since 1997 Wanda has made 22 trips to Latin America - Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Nicaragua and Honduras working in schools and taking teams of teachers to conduct workshops. It has been exciting for Wanda to continue teaching, a profession she loves, in new and different surroundings.

Wanda gives praise to God for the health and strength He has provided to make this possible and to her husband for his unfailing support. She says, "Teaching has led me into many varied 'paths' and my life has been enriched and blessed by those experiences!"

YEAR	ALUMNI	YEAR GRADUATED
2003	Marion E Bayles III	62
2004	Barry Robbins	62
	Dr. Bill John Danenberg	?
2005	Joe White	50
	Billye Baird Scott	52
2006	Bill Benham	60
	Mary Worsham	66
2007	Alicia Ketcher	86
	John Auffett	63
2008	Alline Watkins	45
	Charlie Soap	63
2009	Rex Earl Starr	61
	Mary Margaret Fletcher Starr	62
2010	Dr. Gena Gray	81
	Charles Bennett	73
2011	Michael Phelps	77
	Vince Jones	91
2012	Billy Brunk	74
	Bobby D. Ray	74
2013	Bill and Terry Scott	60

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Betty Starr Barker (1929-2014)



Betty Starr Barker "Mrs. Betty" was a strong and influential force in her community. She was born in Adair County on her father's Cherokee Allotment. She dedicated her life to serving others. Betty was a 1945 graduate of Stilwell High School. She earned a Bachelor's of Science in education and a Master's Degree from Northeastern State University. She was a retired educator of almost forty years.

She was an active board member of the Stilwell Area Chamber of Commerce and member of the Stilwell Kiwanis Club. She was a member of the Adair County Retired educators, and a 50-year member of Alpha Delta Kappa teacher's sorority. Mrs. Betty was a supporter of countless other community events and organizations.

She was instrumental in the restoration of the Kansas City Southern Depot, which houses the Adair County Historical and Genealogical Society and the Stilwell Area Chamber of Commerce. She also chaired the committee that published the History of Adair County in 1991.

She was honored as an elder statesman by the Cherokee Nation in 2012 and selected as an AARP Indian Elder honoree in 2013.

She was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Stilwell. No matter the reason or event, she was always there with a big smile and warm welcoming hug. She believed God intended for her to be a participant of life not a spectator. Our days ahead will be spent trying to fill the big shoes she left behind. And our festival will not be the same without her.



Outstanding Alumni - John William Adair Sr.



John William Adair Sr. was born June 6, 1942 in Sallisaw, Oklahoma. John graduated from Stilwell High School in 1960, he then attended Bacone College in Muskogee, Oklahoma where he received his Associates Degree in 1962. John went on to attend and graduate in 1964 from Northeastern State University in Tahlequah with a Bachelors' Degree. While in college John was a member of the Rho Theta Sigma Honor Society and was on the Presidents' Honor Roll. In 1972, He completed his Masters' Degree.

John and his wife, Myrna MacMillan Adair have three children, John Jr., Alex C. and J David B.

In 1964 John was selected for Naval Pilot training in Pensacola, Florida and the next year received commission as Ensign and Naval Flight Officer. John would later serve aboard the USS Enterprise with Heavy Attack Squadron Two in Vietnam for two tours. In 1968, he transitioned to the A-6 Intruder, which was the Navy's all weather attack airplane with Attack Squadron 165, flying from Aircraft Carrier USS America. John completed a total of three combat tours to Vietnam and Flew 200 combat missions. John survived an aircraft accident aboard the USS Enterprise while landing in bad weather

that destroyed the aircraft and in 1971 ejected from his A-6 Intruder and was rescued at sea.

John assisted in the development of tactics of the Navy's anti-radiation missile, which was to be flown against the North Vietnamese surface to air missiles. He planned and flew numerous missions while escorting confidential reconnaissance flights into North Vietnam.

John served in the Naval reserve from 1971 until 1996 when he retired as a Navy Captain. During his reserve duty he transitioned to the F-4 Phantom and served as Executive and commanding officer of Flight Squadron 1170 and also served as commanding officer of reserves aboard the Navy's Advanced Flight Training Base in Kingsville, Texas.

John received a number of medals and awards for his service and Senator Jim Inhofe came and spoke at his retirement in 1996 and presented him with an American Flag that was flown over the Nation's Capital in honor of his retirement.

In civilian life John was active in the residential development and the home building industry from 1972 until 1988 when he transitioned into the energy business as an investor. In 1996 and 1997, John served as President/CEO of Dresser Engineering and later was asked to take over Roberts Oil and Gas in Houston, Texas.

Roberts Oil and Gas Subsequently became Adair International Oil and Gas. His businesses have taken him all over the world. Recently, John served as Chairman/CEO of a new company which develops Power Plants in the Middle East with offices in Houston, Texas and Dubai, UAE.

John served two terms as Chairman of the Cherokee Nation Election Commission beginning in 1999 and received a letter from former President Jimmy Cart commending him for his service. In 2005, John was selected to the Bacone College Hall of Fame.

John Adair lives in Broken Arrow, Oklahoma with his wife Myrna, he is most proud of his family that includes his sons and their families which include two grandchildren.





67th ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Wednesday, May 7, 2014

Strawberry Day at the Capitol

5:00 p.m.

The Miller Spectacular Carnival – Armband Special Night

Thursday, May 8, 2014

5:00 p.m.

The Miller Spectacular Carnival – Armband Special Night

Friday, May 9, 2014

5:00 p.m.

The Miller Spectacular Carnival

5:30 p.m.

Strawberry Festival Recipe Contest at the Stilwell Public Library

8:00 p.m.

The Strawberry Festival Rodeo: Rodeo Grounds
Sponsored by the Stilwell Roundup Club

Saturday, May 10, 2014

ALL DAY:

VENDORS: Arts and crafts, Food and Merchandise

7:00 a.m.

Second Street closed (from north end to Hwy 100 West)
Division Street closed (from First Street to Fourth Street)
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7:30 a.m.

5-K Run for the Berries - Check in at Carson Park
Registration closes at 7:15 a.m. **NO EXCEPTIONS**

8:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Parade check-in at Ed's Auto Parts, 1020 N. Second Street

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Stilwell High School Reflections Show Choir & Middle School
Choir performing on the bandstand

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Car, Truck and motorcycle show on First Street
Drill Team Performances at 12:30 and 1:30 in front of Bank of
Commerce

9:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Stilwell Community Choir performing on the Bandstand

10:00 a.m.

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Crowning of the 2014 Strawberry Festival Queen at the bandstand
and Announcement of Parade & Run Winners

10:00 a.m.

Horseshoe Throwing Contest at 3rd & Olive

12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Featured Entertainment on the Bandstand: Kinsey Sadler

2:00 p.m.

Champion Strawberry Awards & Auction
Announcement of Strawberry Recipe Contest Winners

3:00 p.m.

Free Strawberries & Ice Cream served courtesy of Stilwell Kiwanis,
Market Square,

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Live Entertainment on the Bandstand: Rivers Edge

6:30 p.m.

All School Reunion at the High School

8:00 p.m.

Strawberry Festival Rodeo & Rodeo Queen Coronation: Rodeo Grounds
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