



THE LAWTON CONSTITUTION

\$14,000 CASH GIVEAWAYS EVERY FRI & SAT • LIVE BANDS FIVE NIGHTS A WEEK



Thrilling Gaming



APACHE
CASINO HOTEL



*16,000 sq. ft. of
Multi-Function Event Space*

APACHECASINOHOTEL.COM

Follow us on



855.248.5905 • I-44 Exit 37 • 2315 East Gore Blvd. • Lawton, OK

What is Lawton Proud?

The Lawton Proud group was formed with the goal of spreading the word about the good things happening in our town. The group consists of business and community leaders from a variety of organizations including Fort Sill, Cameron University, Great Plains Technology Center, Lawton Fort Sill Chamber of Commerce, Lawton Public Schools, Comanche County Memorial Hospital, Southwestern Medical Center, Goodyear Tire, and more.

Thousands of people have connected with the group's Facebook page, and thousands more have been visiting the group's website each month to read positive news stories and check out the local events calendar. Lawton Proud provides a platform to share stories that might never be talked about on the evening news, but shows that there's a hunger for good news and positivity in the community.

OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT / SALES & SERVICE



LAWN EQUIPMENT

shindaiwa

HONDA
Power
Equipment

WALKER

TORO

STIHL®

2606 SW Lee Blvd. • 357-1712
Mon.-Fri. 8-5 Sat. 8-1 • celawnequipment.com

INSURICA'S LAWTON PROUD

We are proud to say that we have been growing with the Lawton community since 1906!

And we're passionate about protecting what matters most to our clients: their families and businesses.

At INSURICA we specialize in you, so you can specialize in what you do best.

INSURICA
10 SW 2nd Street, Suite 1 • Lawton, OK, 73501
P: 580.355.4500 E: info@INSURICA.com

INSURICA.com

#LAWTONPROUD



INSURICA
@INSURICA



Crosby Park Apartments

Supports our Community
and we are
LAWTON PROUD!

5535 NW Cache Rd. • 580-355-4242



Kingdom Medical Equipment

Since 2006, providing Lawton & Southern OK with the largest in-house selection of products for comfort, mobility & home safety.

1824 NW 52nd St. • Lawton
580-355-1511

Visit us at
swoknews.com



SportClips®

HAIRCUTS

IT'S GOOD TO BE A GUY

More Stylists

Means Shorter Wait Times

Military Discounts Every Day

Open 7 Days A Week
1766 82nd Street, Lawton, OK



Proudly Serving Lawton

EZ GO is dedicated to the highest quality of customer service delivered with a sense of warmth, friendliness, individual pride and company spirit.

Nine Local Stores to Serve You...

- 24th and West Gore Blvd.
- 67th and Gore Blvd.
- 24th and Cache Road
- 31st and Cache Road
- 52nd & West Lee Blvd.
- 64th and Cache Road
- Flowermound & East Gore Blvd.
- 52nd & Rogers Lane



**FREE
AIR**

Born Learning

United Way of Southwest Oklahoma has partnered with the City of Lawton for the installation of Southwest Oklahoma's first Born Learning Trail, an interactive series of outdoor learning games to be placed in Elmer Thomas Park for youth and families.

"After years of dreaming, we are thrilled to finally be able to bring the Born Learning Trail experience to Lawton," said Lauren Ellis, executive director of UWSWOK. "We're so grateful for the community partnerships that have helped make this possible."

Those partnerships include that of the City of Lawton Parks and Recreation Department and the Lawton Enhancement Trust Authority – entities that offered support and volunteers for the project – as well as the Oklahoma Partnership for School Readiness, the foundation

which awarded UWSWOK a \$5,000 grant to purchase the Born Learning Trail.

According to Ellis, the trail is the first of its kind to be built in Lawton and second to be built in the state of Oklahoma. Trail activities and signs are placed on the east, west and north sides of the playground area at the park.

"Our Success by 6 program – which centers around early childhood education – was eligible for this grant as a result of receiving another grant in FY 2017 and completing a Community Assessment and Improvement Plan," said Sarah Head, UWSWOK community collaborations director. "That plan indicated that there was a need for physical activity and learning activities in Southwest Oklahoma, so we are working to meet that need with this project."

During installation this spring, volunteers painted sidewalks, stenciled shapes and hung signs.

"This is really for families and individuals of all ages," Ellis said. "It teaches parents how to interact with children and then the children are learning as they are carrying out activities and playing trail games. The experience can extend to older siblings or teachers with children, also. We look forward to seeing the excitement it will bring to the already awesome playground at Elmer Thomas Park."

Trail installation tops an impressive list of additions and enhancements to Elmer Thomas Park in the last year, some of which include: The Splash Pad, Butterfly Garden and playground shade structure.

Those wishing to learn more about the Born Learning Trail project may visit bornlearning.org.



Born Learning Trail

Bethel Church Of God In Christ

This is the day that the Lord has made I will rejoice and be glad in it. Psalms 118:24

Welcome To Our Home!

1712 SW C Ave. Lawton, OK.
580.355.0040

CRUTCHER'S
WESTERN WEAR
— • Since 1977 • —
LAWTON PROUD SINCE 1977

Just Arrived,

HEY

DUDE
SHOES



**BACKPACKS
CAPS
TSHIRTS
SHOES
& MORE!**



Lawton
313 SW C Ave.
580-248-2997

Mon-Wed 9-6 / Thurs-Sat 9-7 Sun 1-6

Duncan
1503 N. Highway 81
580-252-3220

Mon-Wed 9-6 / Thurs-Fri 9-7 Sat 9-6

Find us on    

crutcherswesternwear.com

Top Reasons to be Lawton Proud

- We have our very own university in our town, Cameron University
- Lawton is the Official Oklahoma STEM Community in recognition of our commitment to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics
- We have two award-winning hospitals, Comanche County Memorial Hospital, and Southwestern Medical Center
- Mount Scott has been listed as a top tourist attraction in our state
- We have our very own Miss America, Lauren Nelson
- Fort Sill remains the only active Army installation of

all the forts on the Southern Plains built during the Indian Wars

- Our schools produce many talented students who go on to win awards and hold high positions
- There are many civic clubs and organizations working to better our community

- Lawton has it's very own municipal airport
- Lawton has two food delivery services 2EatIn and Arrowhead Delivery, as well as ride sharing services Uber, and Lyft
- Lawton is a very diverse community with so many things to see and do
- We are the national home of the Comanche Nation
- We have a number of Lawtonians who have gone on to play in professional sports, the most noteworthy

- would be Will Shields, who was inducted last year into the NFL Hall of Fame
- The Wichita Mountain Refuge is the second most visited refuge in the U.S.
- Our International Festival and Arts for All are major festival programs and attract large crowds
- Medicine Park offers musical festivals through the warm weather month period
- Goodyear-Lawton supplies radial passenger and light truck tires to markets across

- the U.S. and other world regions
- We have nice shopping centers, including large retail operations as well as local merchants, that meet the needs of everyone
- Lawton is located on I-44 between two major municipalities -- Oklahoma City and Dallas
- Proud to be a community of one! Lawton Fort Sill is one community, so close the name does not require a hyphen

LARRY BUSH

House District 62

Former Sooner Stand Out and Local Business Owner for State Representative District 62 for West Lawton

I need your vote in the Primary Election Tuesday, June 26th

LarryBushOK.com

Paid for by the committee to elect Larry Bush House District 62



CALL TODAY FOR YOUR FREE HEARING CONSULTATION



Scott W. Sirles, BC-HIS

Scott Sirles is a Nationally Known Hearing Aid Expert with 35 years of experience in the hearing industry and is Board Certified by the International Hearing Aid Society. Scott has worn hearing aids for 25 years and understands what it is like not to hear and what to expect while wearing hearing aids.

Our Promise to You...

- Get a **FREE**, no-obligatin hearing evaluation using the latest state-of-the-art equipment.
- **FREE** examination of your ears to check for wax build-up.
- **FREE** demonstration in the latest in digital hearing technology.
- If you currently have hearing aids, we will clean and check them at not charge.



4404 N.W. Cache Road, Suite 4 • Lawton, OK 735051

(580) 357-0400

www.americanear.com/about-us/lawton

 Like Us on Facebook @ facebook.com/AmericanEarHearingAudiology



We are Lawton Proud

Dennis Wade,
President and Publisher,
The Lawton Constitution

My newspaper career has taken me to many communities in Texas and several outside of Texas. I was born in Texas and started my newspaper career in Baytown, Texas. My career has taken me to places north and south. As far north as Massachusetts and as far south as McAllen, Texas.

Based on what this piece is all about, it might be that some would say that surely your comments are driven primarily by the professional profile you held in the various places you have lived. Because of what I was professionally and not who I was, one might assume people were friendly, with a hidden agenda. That might possibly be a reasonable assumption, requiring little defense, in most cases, but it is not so here.

I have had pretty and I have had people in every place I have lived. Some places are prettier than others and some people are more or less, more welcoming in the places I have lived.

Lawton is the most welcoming place, by far, I have lived.



During my short time here, people have made a real effort to welcome me to Lawton. The welcoming has been sincere and not driven by my position

with The Constitution. It's almost as if these friendly Lawtonians expect nothing other than to sincerely make us feel at home! How refreshing!

I am not looking through rose-colored glasses, nor am I attempting to gain favor, because I have, in fact lived, in places that are prettier than Lawton, but none are friendlier. However, there are many beautiful sites in and around Lawton.

Lawton is filled with a bunch of friendly people and given the choice I'll take people over pretty every time. Pretty makes the places we have lived interesting for a while. Welcoming people make the places we have lived much better than just pretty. Lawton is on the top of the great-people-list for me and my beautiful wife, Norma.

We are indeed Lawton Proud and hope you are as well!

"All of you at Aspire have been so good to me that words can't express what it means to be under your care. It is a comfort and a blessing that helps our nights and days be peaceful and pleasant."

We Honor Veterans

To join our **Hospice Vet2Vet Volunteer Team**, call Ginger Veal Senior Volunteer Coordinator, at (580) 951-8301.



ASPIRE

Home Care • Hospice

Changing Lives, Raising Standards

855.5.**Aspire**
(855.527.7473)

Classic Chevrolet is LAWTON PROUD!

CHEVY. THE ONLY BRAND TO EARN J.D. POWER DEPENDABILITY AWARDS FOR CARS, TRUCKS AND SUVs. NOW, THREE YEARS IN A ROW.



Current awards based on 2013, 2014 and 2015 model year vehicles.

2018 "MOST DEPENDABLE COMPACT SUV, MIDSIZE SUV, MIDSIZE CAR AND LARGE LIGHT DUTY PICKUP"

2017 "MOST DEPENDABLE SMALL CAR, LARGE SUV, LARGE HEAVY DUTY PICKUP AND MIDSIZE SPORTY CAR"

2016 "MOST DEPENDABLE MIDSIZE CAR, COMPACT SUV, LARGE HEAVY DUTY PICKUP AND MIDSIZE SPORTY CAR"

The Chevrolet Equinox, Chevrolet Traverse, Chevrolet Silverado and Chevrolet Malibu received the lowest number of problems per 100 vehicles in their respective segments in the J.D. Power 2018 U.S. Vehicle Dependability Study, based on 36,896 total responses, measuring problems experienced during the past 12 months by original owners, surveyed October-December 2017. Your experiences may vary. Visit jdpower.com/cars.

FIND NEW ROADS

CHEVROLET

82ND AND CACHE RD. • 580-280-2800
www.classicchevynation.com



Sales: Mon.-Fri. 8am-8pm
Sat. 8am-6pm

Service: Mon.-Fri. 7am-6pm
Sat. 8am-2pm



Community Life... and Community Spirit

There is a special spirit that defines Lawton ...

- old fashioned values focused on neighbors helping neighbors
- forward thinking that propels growth and opportunity
- patriotism and profound appreciation for those who serve our country and protect our freedoms
- compassion for those in need
- appreciation for the beauty and nature that surrounds our community
- dedication to educate our children well
- commitment to create a community where families flourish

At First National Bank & Trust Co. we count it a privilege to be part of this beloved community – helping businesses thrive and succeed, assisting families with reaching their financial dreams, serving in leadership roles with civic organizations and boards, and supporting our schools, non-profit agencies, and military.

We are committed to enhancing community life and fostering greater community spirit because...We Are Lawton Proud.

Our Services:

- Personal & Business Checking Accounts • Savings Accounts / CDs / IRAs • Cash Flow Management • Credit Lines • Commercial & Consumer Lending
- Mortgage Lending • Online Banking / Bill Pay / eStatements • Remote Deposit Capture/Direct Connect • Mobile Banking / Mobile Picture Deposit* • PopMoney*

*Terms, fees, and conditions apply. See brochure and website for details.



First National[®] Bank & Trust Co.

**Lawton – Quanah Parker – 6702 N.W. Quanah Parker Hwy.
(580) 536-8800**

**Lawton – Sheridan – 702 N.W. Sheridan Rd.
(580) 536-8801**



**MEMBER
FDIC**

Your **Bank for Life**

www.fnbokla.bank

Follow Us @ **FNBokla**



Proud of our Education Opportunities

Lawton Public Schools

Comprised of 27 educational sites in the heart of Southwest Oklahoma, this Premier school district operates on four guiding Principles: Preparing Career Bound Citizens; sharing professional ideals; promoting healthy lifestyles; and advocating communication, collaboration and transparency. Lawton Public Schools is Oklahoma's ninth largest district and serves approximately 14,000 students.

Investing in both student and teacher, Lawton Public Schools sets the standard of academic excellence in Southwest Oklahoma. In keeping with the mission of preparing career-bound citizens, LPS offers a wide-range of extra-curricular activities, community partnership opportunities and topics of study at each grade

level.

The recent passing of the \$99.5 million Lawton Can bond shows the unwavering support for students. The current projects – replacement of Eisenhower Middle School, addition of functional safe rooms in seven elementaries, upgrades in areas of technology and equipment, as well as, new textbooks for four core subjects areas – are all possible because of the commitment from our community.

Committed to excellence and education, educators, parents and partners proudly unite each day with the common goal of exhilarating and motivating young minds.

Cameron University:

Making dreams a reality

Dreaming bigger. That's what Cameron University has helped Lawton do for more

than a century. Cameron offers a path for every learner, with nearly 50 associate, bachelor's and master's degrees covering dozens of careers. CU takes pride in the resources it's able to share.

At Cameron, education comes first. Students have access to more than a thousand courses offered in the classroom and online, as well as at CU's branch campus in Duncan. Small class sizes allow professors to work with students individually. Every semester, new opportunities emerge, helping students earn degrees that open doors to successful careers.

Theatrical productions. Music events. Dozens of student organizations. Eleven sports teams that have brought home nine national championships during Cameron's illustrious

history. There's never a shortage of things to do, whether you're a student, an Aggie alum, or just someone wanting to expand your horizons. CU offers an incredibly diverse environment that's perfectly suited for people from all walks of life.

Cameron offers one of the lowest student tuition rates among Oklahoma universities, and outstanding public support has allowed CU to offer an affordable, high-quality education in state-of-the-art facilities.

From its earliest days as an agricultural high school to its graduate programs today, Cameron has understood the needs of the people who live here and it has adapted with the times to remain Southwest Oklahoma's premier university. Just ask any of its 30,000 graduates.

Great Plains

Technology Center

Pride means many things to many people. For Great Plains Technology Center, it means to put students and clients first and to remain focused on its mission, "...to prepare individuals for success in work and life, serving as a driving force for economic development in Southwest Oklahoma."

Since 1971, Great Plains Technology Center has gained a national reputation as a premiere technology center offering education that meets the needs of career and college bound students.

Great Plains Technology Center provides career training and business development services to approximately 10,000 students and clients each year at its campuses in Lawton and Frederick. Student success, business success, is Great Plains success.

Proud to Serve Lawton's Homebuying Community

Veterans United Home Loans is the Lawton area's #1 VA purchase lender.

We proudly serve all our local homebuyers by offering:

- ★ VA, USDA, FHA and Conventional financing
- ★ Plus, complimentary credit consulting

We're honored to serve you whether it's your first home, your fifth or your temporary military station.



2410 NW Cache Rd, Ste. C, Lawton, OK 73505. Veterans United Home Loans is a VA approved lender; Not endorsed or sponsored by the Dept. of Veterans Affairs or any government agency. NMLS #1907 (nmlsconsumeraccess.org).



Veterans United
Home Loans

*Contact Veterans United
Home Loans in Lawton
to learn more!*

LawtonVU.com
(580) 699-8670

Great Plains is most proud of helping its students successfully enter the workforce and its business clients improve their profits. These successes help create new opportunities and make a positive difference.

Millage Election—Great Plains is thankful for the voters in its district as they approved one new mil to the Great Plains Building Fund. The additional funding will enable Great Plains to modernize and update its training facilities and purchase instructional technology.

Proud of our Community Partners—Great Plains' Lawton Campus is the site for the Comanche County/City of Lawton 911 emergency call center and the emergency management office, as well as the Lawton Police Department Training Academy, the Lawton Fire Department Training Division, and Great Plains' Criminal Justice Officer training program.

Here are some of the top reasons that make Great Plains proud:

Business Development Center—officially opened its doors in May 2017. Located at 1601 SW Park Ridge on the eastside of the Great Plains campus, the BDC serves a comprehensive business assistance center. The BDC, a certified Oklahoma Business Incubator, helps start-up and early stage firms improve their chances to grow into healthy, sustainable, and self-sufficient companies. To date tenants of the BDC have created over 40 jobs.

Best Places to Work—Great Plains was named one of the "best places to work" in 2017 by the Journal Record News. Nearly one-third of Great Plains staff have at least 15 years of service.

Instructional Staff—All instructional staff have worked in the industry in which they teach. This helps provide

students with a unique opportunity to gain "inside" knowledge of their chosen career field.

Advisory Committees—Each Great Plains' career training program has an advisory committee. The committees are comprised of individuals working in the business or industry they represent. The committee members help keep the program offerings relevant and timely by advising in terms of trends, equipment needs, and job growth in the industry.

Real World Education—High school juniors, seniors and adult students train in real world classrooms, shops, and labs, using the same state-of-the-art equipment they will use in their chosen industries. Hands-on learning prepares students for careers or college.

School of Career Opportunities and Real Education

(SCORE)—SCORE, a drop-out/credit recovery program, is designed to reconnect students to educational and occupational goals. SCORE has reconnected more than 1600 students to a high school diploma. Congratulations to more than 100 SCORE graduates in 2018!

Business Services—The Economic Development Center provides technical and soft skills management, safety training, employee training to business and industry, as well as customized training for businesses. Corporate clients include, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, Henniges, Republic Paperboard and Bar-S Foods. Great Plains is especially proud that it has trained 99% of Lawton Goodyear's maintenance technicians.

Career Development—Whether it's through one of the hundreds of part-time/weeknight/Saturday Adult

Career Development classes, or one of the 29 full-time majors...Great Plains Technology Center's career training programming helps prepare students today for the global workforce.

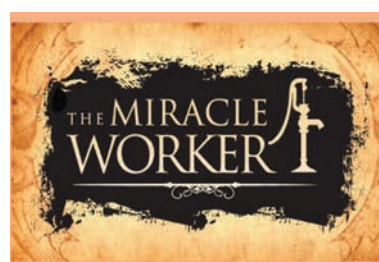
Since 1971, Great Plains Technology Center's classes and programs have been continually realigned to be more marketable in today's society. Through the cooperative efforts of industry-trained instructors, advisory committees, and community leaders, Great Plains constantly looks at how to improve instruction and how to make a difference for people so that they can have the edge in the world of work.

Great Plains Technology Center is located at 4500 SW Lee Blvd., Lawton and 2001 E. Gladstone in Frederick. For more information phone Great Plains Technology Center at 580.355.6371; or click www.greatplains.edu.

Lawton Community Theatre 2018-2019 Season



Audition Dates:
July 30th & 31st
Production Dates:
Oct. 5-7, 11-14, 2018



Audition Dates:
Sept. 24th & 25th
Production Dates:
Nov. 29, Dec. 2 & 6-9, 2018



Audition Dates:
Dec. 3rd & 4th
Production Dates:
Feb. 1-3, 7-10, 2019



Audition Dates:
Feb. 18th & 19th, 2019
Production Dates:
April 19-21, 25-28, 2019



Audition Dates:
April 29th & 30th, 2019
Production Dates:
June 14th-16th, 2019

**Season Tickets & Flex Passes Now Available
For Purchase Starting as low as \$75**

**JOHN DENNEY PLAYHOUSE 1316 NW Bell Ave., Lawton
CALL 580.355.1600 FOR RESERVATIONS**

Daley's Asphalt Paving

- References in Lawton - We are now in your area!

Parking Lots • Private Drives • Long Lanes
We do House Driveways

- Oil & Rock Chip Seal
- Resurfacing Over Old Asphalt and Concrete
- Commercial - Lot and Sub Divisions
- Blacktop Approaches and Turnarounds
- Hot Rubber Crack Filler

10% Discount
with
this ad



Maybe you have a big area you would love to have blacktopped but you can't afford to pave the whole thing right now. We install partial driveways. We can pave an area by your house just big enough to park your vehicles on. Or we can install as little as one load for you. Tired of a Dust Bowl in the Summer? And a Mud Hole in the Winter? DON'T FUSS - CALL US!

Maybe your Asphalt Surface just needs Sealcoating
Look for These Signs: Cracking • Raveling • Oil Damage
Our Asphalt Sealer - Protects, Beautifies, and Preserves
Renews Old Damaged Asphalt Surfaces

Our Promise to you. We will beat any other licensed asphalt contractors written bid for the same job, if we do the job.
Licensed • Bonded • Insured

Call (580) 250-0554 • Lawton, Ok

Free Estimates • Fast Service • Quality Work

J&I General Construction & Remodeling

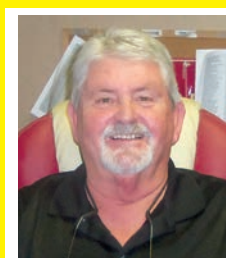
Since 1969

VA Modifications

- Double Tilt Thermopane Insulated Windows
- Air Duct Cleaning
- Ceiling & Wall Insulation
- Outdoor Kitchens
- Room Additions
- Remodels: Kitchens & Bathrooms
- We'll work with your insurance

580-357-4699

After hours
Call 580-591-1076
FAX 357-0346



Derrell Black
President



www.jibuild.com
jibuild@sbcglobal.net

NO JOB TOO SMALL

• Trauma clean-ups

ALAN HADLEY

25 Years Experience IICRC Certified
Insured, Licensed & Bonded

**Licensed
Bonded
Insured**



Sewer Or Water Damage

When Disaster Strikes, Strike Back!

- Fire or water pack-out, cleaning, deodorizing and climate controlled storage.
- Water extraction, carpet and structural drying.
- Sewer back-up cleaning.
- Carpet cleaning & deodorizing.
- Truck mounted & portable cleaning units.

High Rising
Water Damage Restoration
580-353-4434 • 580-591-1076

618 "G" Avenue • Lawton, OK
www.highrisingwaterrestoration.com

Want the Scales Tipped In *Your Favor?*

We can help - call today for a free initial consultation.



Practice:

- Criminal Law
- Court Martials
- Personal Injury
- Admin. Discharges
- DUI/Tickets
- Divorce/Family Law
- Auto Accidents

James R. Willson

Maj. Ret.

ATTORNEY AT LAW

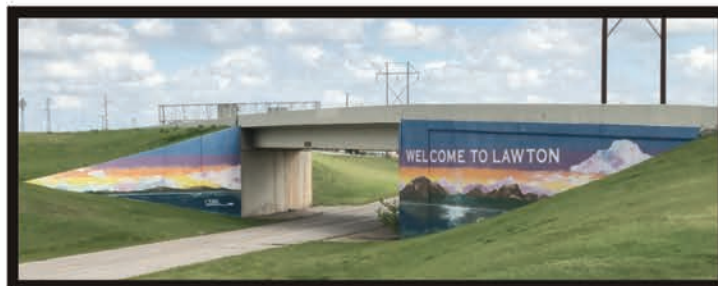
632 SW D AVENUE • 248-8886

(24 hours) Terms Available



Our Faith in Lawton is Monumental.

Yes...besides having the great fortune of sharing the fun of designing and building gorgeous buildings, we have helped create monuments of great pride.



Just a few reasons why we will always be Lawton Proud.



CDBL
Professional Construction Services

580-355-5463
www.cdblinc.com



Lawton Officer, Justin Thorne teaches bike safety.

Flowers by Ramon

Lawton's Oldest And Most Trusted Flower Shop,
The Recommended Name For Flowers Since 1959.

We provide classy and upscale flowers, gifts and home decor. Whether it is weddings, parties, special events or just because, our team here at Flowers by Ramon has the experience and expertise to create every style of flower arrangement from traditional to exotic and high style.



Here at Flowers by Ramon, you are not just a customer, you are considered a friend. We take pride in our work, our city, and the great people that live in it. We hope next time you're in need of flowers or gifts, you give us the opportunity to show you why we're the best in town & Lawton Proud!

580.357.1232 • 2010 W. Gore Blvd • flowersbyramon.com



GOODYEAR
LAWTON
LAWTON PROUD



There's 101 reasons to be Lawton Proud and we aim to build off of that legacy each day, as a community. No matter your profession, standing, age or title – you are contributing to our history and have the chance to make a real impact on the city in which you live, work and play. I hope you choose to take part and get involved, ask questions and seek partnerships with the many in-

dividuals who also wish your own backyard. It's to grow and improve yours for the taking. Lawton. There's a world of excitement, discovery and opportunity right in

*Tiffany Vrska, COL
Community Relations Director*

**ESTATE SALES BY
CHARLI JONES LLC**
580.512.0916
ESTATE SALES – LIQUIDATIONS – CLEAN OUTS

For all of life's transitions
charlijonesestatesales@gmail.com

Follow Estate Sales by
Charli Jones on for Pictures
& Upcoming Sales



What Makes Us Lawton Proud:

- Family Owned and Operated
- Professional Quality Service
- In Business Over 27 Years

REFINISHING • BODY & FRAME REPAIR

Pamplin Body Shop is a full collision repair shop located in the heart of Lawton. We are an I-CAR Gold Class repair business. We choose Sikkens for our refinishing material. Sikkens is one of the best, if not the best, color match and clears in the industry today.

Thank you for considering
Pamplin Body Shop

203 SW H. AVE
355-1575 • FAX 355-5857



Providing Quality Products
for new homes or remodeling projects
Our specialty since 1967
Conception to Completion!



Our professional staff will do everything to make sure you get the advice you need to ensure the success of your project.

#2 SW "C" Ave.
580-357-8630



There is no place like home

Our complete home planning and interior design services include free estimates for all your decorating and remodeling plans. Let us turn your ordinary decor into a showplace that reflects your good taste. No matter what kind of house you live in or what decorating challenges you face, our interior designers are here to assist in every detail. Our mission is to make your home or office as beautiful and comfortable as possible.



1010 SW D Ave • 580-248-1315
bradysdesigncenter.com
Mon. - Fri. 8-5 Sat. 9-1

Choose Granite

Level One • Exotics • Remnants

Natural Stone and Granite
Kitchen Counters • Vanity Tops
Window Sills • Fireplaces

Large selection of granite

Free Estimates
Financing Available
No Interest For One Year
WAC

* See Store For Details.



580-357-1348 • 1010 SW D Ave • hardrocksurfaces@gmail.com

Proud of our Healthcare

Comanche County Memorial Hospital

Comanche County Memorial Hospital proudly offers advanced services and technology to our community right here at home, to prevent you from having to travel for the healthcare you need and deserve.

CCMH provides many comprehensive services to SW Oklahoma these include; the first and only level II neonatal intensive care unit, the only comprehensive cardiovascular care program, the McMahon Center for Breast Health, a comprehensive breast imaging program; the only Mako Robotic arm assisted joint replacement system and comprehensive cancer care at the

Leah M. Fitch Cancer Center. More services include the Drewry Family Emergency Center which is a level III trauma center and provides state-of-the-art emergency care. In 2017 capacity was expanded to 36 rooms to better serve the growing needs of the community. Also the latest addition in 2018-2019 the only Da Vinci Surgical Robot in Southwest Oklahoma to provide the best in minimally invasive surgical procedures.

CCMH is continually growing by adding additional equipment and services to provide the most advanced care in the twelve county region we serve. We have recently

added two new birthing suites and are in a renovation process for the original seven rooms in our very busy Labor and Delivery Unit. Our level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit is constantly striving to keep our sick and tiny babies as close to home as possible. The addition of a retinal camera or RetCam to the CCMH NICU has increased the number of premature babies that remain at CCMH for NICU care; keeping mother and baby close to home and to their support system.

CCMH has been honored to receive several national accreditations including World Health Organization (WHO)/ United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) Baby Friendly Hospital Status, is a Joint Commission Certified Primary Stroke Center, and A Bronze Award for the American Heart Association's 'Get with the Guide-



CCMH Campus

lines' initiative for stroke care.

The Memorial Medical Group (MMG) also known as our physician group is comprised of more than 100 local medical providers from over 20 medical specialties, who have joined together to create the areas largest medical group. MMG is proud to provide specialists in general surgery, neurosurgery,

orthopedics, podiatry, obstetrics and gynecology, heart and vascular and pe-

diatrics just to name a few. Visit www.ccmhealth.com to see a full provider listing. Our primary care providers also have same day and next day appointments available to serve you by calling 580-510-7030. CCMH is fully accredited by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations and the Council on Accreditation Rehabilitation Facilities.

Comanche County Memorial Hospital, Your Community Hospital!

Southwestern Medical Center

Southwestern Medical Center is a full-service hospital with dual accreditation from both The Joint Commission and Healthcare Facilities Accreditation Program. They have a long tradition of providing exceptional service and quality healthcare to Lawton, Fort Sill and the surrounding areas. As the oldest civilian hospital in Lawton, they take pride in their history of caring for the community with comprehensive medical services, innovation and col-

laboration.

Southwestern's size allows them to provide personalized care that is second to none, while utilizing the latest in medical technology. They offer a wide range of services to include: a primary stroke center, joint replacement program, orthopedics, outpatient rehabilitation, free-standing behavioral health center, neurosurgery, general surgery, wound care, state-of-the-art surgery center, a free-standing im-

aging center with the area's only open MRI, women's and children's care, and 24-hour emergency services. Southwestern works closely with other health care providers, local leaders, businesses and community organizations to promote wellness and teach healthy lifestyles through education and outreach programs.

In 2017, Southwestern earned some of the region's top achievements to include the first joint replacement program to receive Advanced Certifi-

cation from the Joint Commission in total hip and total knee replacement and being named a "Top Workplace in Oklahoma" for the fifth year in a row!

Southwestern Medical Center is Lawton Proud and they strive to make a

difference in the lives of the community by providing quality, compassionate care in a work environment that fosters employee commitment and pride. It is their promise to give patients and families exceptional service and quality care at all times.



SWMC Hospital



Annual Spirit of Survival



Secret Sauce Revealed

Sylvan tutoring **WORKS** because of these valuable ingredients that go into the recipe...

Secret Sauce

- **Research-Based.** Sylvan programs are research-based and aligned to national standards.
- **Certified Teachers.** Students are taught by state-certified teachers who are also Sylvan certified.
- **Low teacher-pupil ratio.** SylvanSync programs utilize a teacher-student ratio that is never greater than 1:3.
- **Positive Reinforcement.** Our staff builds student confidence through positive – never negative – reinforcement.
- **Diagnostic/Prescriptive.** We utilize nationally recognized assessments and target instruction to each student's identified needs.
- **Mastery Learning.** Each student is taught his/her prescribed skills until mastery is demonstrated. *No-skill left behind!*
- **Daily Updating.** Each SylvanSync prescription is updated after each day of instruction.
- **Parental Support.** We meet with parents monthly to review academic progress.
- **School Collaboration.** Sylvan meets to compare notes with the student's teacher at his/her school.
- **Digital Platform** – Sylvan's 21st-Century digital platform enables our tutors to teach students efficiently. *Most Sylvan students work from iPads which we provide.*
- **Cost Effective** – Sylvan is less expensive than classroom instruction because students make more rapid progress than in a classroom setting.
- **Zero-Interest Loans** – Most financial planners say that people should not borrow money except for three items: housing, transportation, and education. *Ask us about our popular interest-free student loan program.*

Your child can start the school year with the assistance of the best after-school tutoring program on the planet:

Sylvan Learning Center

2603 NW Cache Road • Lawton, OK 73505
580-351-9100 • sylvanlearning.com

CONTACT
US
NOW ...



NON-COMMISSIONED SALES STAFF LOCALLY OWNED • FREE DELIVERY!

Darbys' Big Furniture features a large selection of quality living room, bedroom, dining room, home office, and entertainment furniture as well as mattresses, home decor and accessories. If you're looking for the perfect furniture to suit your needs as well as your lifestyle, stop by Darbys' Big Furniture in Lawton, OK today!

At Darbys' Big Furniture, customer satisfaction is our number one priority. To achieve this goal, we offer a variety of services including:

One-on-one consultations, room layout plans and a design center. We will ensure that your shopping experience is easy and pleasurable while you shop for all your furniture needs.

6746 NW Cache Rd ■ Lawton, Oklahoma
580.510.3242 ■ darbysfurniture.com



#Lawton Proud

"As a military child who moved often, Lawton-Ft. Sill was the one stable place in my life. My family was stationed here four times and each time we came back, I knew I was coming home. I love this city and the people that have helped shaped me into the person I am today. What sets Lawton apart from other communities is the compassion and support we have for each other! The people of this community are a positive force making Lawton the best in the southwest. It's the reason that I will always be Lawton Proud!" – **Lynn Cordes**



FREE Coupon
One Night
Dog Boarding
or
One Doggie
Daycare Visit



Preppy Pet
"Pet stays your way"

No Purchase Required, No Strings or Leashes Attached.
 New Customers Only, One Discount per Check-out

Boarding Overnight with Private Suites or
 Homestyle Cageless 24 Hour Care

Doggie Daycare

Spa Baths to Full Grooming

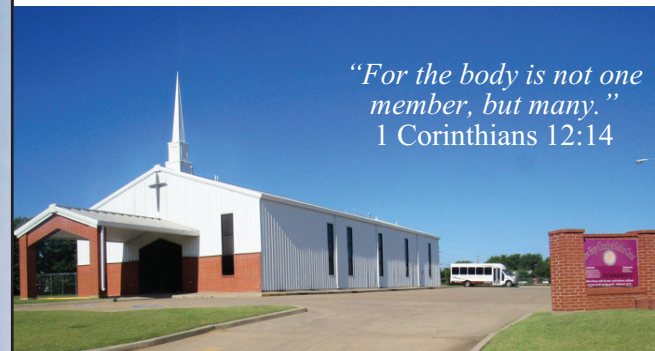
Preppy Pet Lawton

2502 W Gore Blvd, Lawton OK 73505

Call 580-699-2727

lawtonpreppypet@yahoo.com • www.preppypet.com/lawton

Lawton Proud!



"For the body is not one member, but many."
 1 Corinthians 12:14

New Hope C.O.G.I.C.

1502 SW Monroe Ave. (580) 647-6370

Proud To Be
One Of Lawton's
Original Senior
Living Facilities!

Follow Us On Facebook
To Get A Peek Of Daily Life
At The Brentwood



The Brentwood
 SENIOR LIVING

"Come Home to The Brentwood"

6920 SW Lee Blvd. Lawton • thebrentwoodseniorliving.com

Call Monty or
 Angie for more
 information
580-536-4848



What does it mean to be Lawton Proud?

By Dr. Tom Deighan,
LPS Superintendent

I was recently challenged to answer this question: What does it mean to be Lawton Proud? I found no answers, for with all great questions, there are none, only a cascade of images and sounds and emotions. Being Lawton Proud cannot be defined, only experienced.

If the prairie grass has tickled your palms as you walked through fields of wildflowers. If you have caught the wink of the sun over Mount Scott from the Holy City on Easter Morn, you are Lawton Proud. You have seen smoke burst from the nostrils of bison on cold winter mornings. You have heard the haunting peal of Elk echoing through the

tors. You have seen the sun setting between Crab Eyes. The chirps of tiny frogs on the lily pads in Quannah Parker Lake and the shimmer of river otters gliding through



hidden waters. The longhorn calves in mock battle. The clatter of a rattlesnake's tail

and the warning barks of prairie dogs. If these things stir your heart, you are Lawton Proud.

Children slipping in and out of Bath Lake. Sailboats leaning in the wind at Lake Lawtonka. You have swooned at the site of rock climbers clinging to sheer granite in The Narrows or feared for hikers skirting the vortices of Forty-Foot Hole. The whirl of a fishing reel when a bass strikes on Lake Helen. The smell of international cuisine and the rumble of racecars on still, summer nights. The roar of crowds at Cameron Stadium. The steady gait of nervous graduates traversing the Great Plains Coliseum. The solemnity of worship on Sunday mornings.

You are Lawton Proud if you have peered skyward to discern the rolling of thunder or the Fires of Excellence.

reconcile the history of the frontier with the sovereignty of our Native nations. You have heard the crack of the

If you have struggled to

continued on page 18

Framed Art & Gallery

Susan's Framing

3801 NW Cache Rd, Ste 35
699-2898
susansframeshop.com

Lawton Proud! Serving the Lawton Area Since 1902



629 SW C Avenue - Lawton



with you all the way

580.351.2265



LNBOOK.com



4005 W Gore Blvd. - Lawton

Apache • Blanchard • Chickasha • Elgin • Lawton • Medicine Park



continued from page 17

bat alongside the clatter of machine guns. You have watched children march to recess and recruits march to training. A community lining up for parades, soldiers lining up for deployment, and families lining up for their return. Our history is tattered and unrequited. Our present is resilient and reticent. Our future portends glorious adventures. We are a place of paradox and contradiction, yet in all things, hands snap to hearts or brows in honor of Old Glory and knees bow in reverence to the Creator.

Lawton Proud means embracing a community hungry for a vision but wary of promises. A community beholden to tradition yet defiantly tolerant of individuals. Every nation, tribe and tongue gathered together, a peculiar people sharing a vibrant oasis. We are strangers and

pilgrims seeking a country – all fortunate victims to twists of fate and happy accidents that brought us here, to our quirky sanctuary where there are no foreigners, no outsiders, and no unwelcomed. We are all newcomers and all natives. Whether by birthright or serendipity, we make Lawton home because Lawton once called us home.

What does it mean to be Lawton Proud? No one can truly answer but all can sincerely respond, just as we respond to bugle calls, our National Anthem, and requests for prayer. Our pride stirs us all equally but moves us all differently. We share that dance in the Western Oklahoma wind, our pride rippling across generations like the rolling fields before the harvest. This is what it means to be Lawton Proud.

Lawton Proud

“I’m Lawton Proud because our community is fighting hard to better itself! So many wonderful things are starting to happen that are going to improve our city, like passing the school bond, and I’m really excited to see what the future looks like for Lawton.”

– Kelly Edwards, Lawton Marketing Group



I’m committed to finding the perfect loan • VA
for your *dream* home!



Gateway Mortgage Group is a registered service mark of Gateway Mortgage Group, LLC NMLS 7233. All loans subject to program guidelines and final underwriting approval. Contact local branch for details. Mortgage Lender License #ML002658

- FHA
- USDA
- BOND/REI
- HUD 184
- Rehab/Renovation
- Investor Programs



KATHY SUTTLES

Branch Manager,
NMLS#233437

Direct 580.956.8686

Mobile 580.695.7555

1016 SW C Ave., Lawton
Kathy.Suttles@GatewayLoan.com



Take Care of Our Air!

You can help to *Take Care of Our Air* by monitoring the daily Air Quality Index number (AQI). Changing your daily routine on days when the AQI is higher can significantly help our air quality.



AQI Values	Levels of Health Concern
0 to 50	Good
51-100	Moderate
101-150	Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups
151-200	Unhealthy
201-300	Very Unhealthy
301 to 500	Hazardous

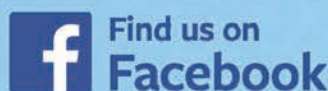
The AQI (Air Quality Index) is a number used to communicate the level of pollution forecasted to be in the air.

The AQI in Lawton usually ranges from 0 to 100 (in the Good to Moderate ranges). Each day the AQI forecast can be found at CleanAirLawton.org, at facebook.com/LawtonMPO, in the newspaper, or on radio and TV stations during weather reports.

When the AQI is forecasted to be over 100, people who are sensitive to the air quality (those with lung diseases, older adults and children) may begin experiencing adverse effects during the day and should try to avoid outdoor activities that day.

Here are several small actions you can take to help *Take Care of Our Air* this summer:

- Turn out lights when you're not using them
- Go inside rather than using the drive-thru
- Use electric or manual lawn equipment
- Combine all your errands into one trip
- Keep your tires properly inflated
- Take your lunch to work or walk to lunch
- Fuel your car after 6 pm
- Don't idle your car
- Ride your bike
- Ride the bus
- Plant a tree
- Carpool



For more details visit cleanairlawton.org or find us on Facebook at facebook.com/lawtonmpo. Lawton Metropolitan Planning Organization, 212 SW 9th Street Lawton, OK 73501



Vice President
Brandi Whatley

Senior
Vice President
Jason Hensley

Exec.
Vice President
Paul Ellwanger

Senior
Vice President
Doug Stephens

President/CEO
George Porter

Chairman of Board
Exec. Vice President
Tresea Moses

**PROUDLY SERVING THE
LAWTON COMMUNITY**

since
1901

More Than Banking, It's Family.

Visit us at one of our six Lawton locations!

MARKETPLACE BRANCH
1836 NW 82nd Str.

GORE BRANCH
4112 W Gore Blvd.

WESTSIDE WALMART BRANCH
6301 NW Quannah Parker Trl.

COUNTRYMART EAST BRANCH
4510 SE Lee Blvd.

MAIN BANK
500 Montgomery Sq.

SHERIDAN WALMART BRANCH
1002 N Sheridan Rd.



Reach Someone Friendly
877-585-4177

Learn More About Our Services
CNB1901.COM

Proud of a Diverse Economy

The Lawton-Fort Sill area workforce is one of the most culturally diverse in the country. Fort Sill is not only a major economic engine for the community, but it also provides additional skilled workforce through military and civil service families and young retiring soldiers.

A growing industry in the region is now manufacturing with recognizable names such as

Goodyear Tire, Republic Paperboard, Silver-line Plastics and Bar-S Foods.

Goodyear is the largest manufacturing employer in the State of Oklahoma and the Lawton plant has consistently dodged the effects of economic downturn as seen in 2008-2010. Goodyear shows significant commitment to their employees through communication, programs and

special events. In return, their employees show great commitment to the community through their volunteer efforts and contributions to numerous organizations.

Republic Paperboard is a recycled paper mill uniquely located in Oklahoma. The company enjoys a very low turnover rate, which they attribute to excellent employee communications and some of the highest

wages in the area. Their community leadership resulted in initiating recycling programs within the school system. During the downturn in the construction business, the employees of Republic Paperboard identified new clients for different products that they were able to produce without retooling.

Silver-line Plastics, an industry-leading manufacturer of plastic pipe products initially chose Lawton-Fort Sill in 2000 for its business-friendly

environment and strategic location. Two years ago, they completed an expansion that doubled the original plant size and continues to add jobs.

Bar-S Foods employs almost 300 people at their Lawton plant and boasts the highest safe quality food certifications a company can achieve.

Also, Lawton provides quality education for these local industry jobs through Lawton Public Schools, Great Plains Technology Center and Cameron University.

Dean McGee Eye Institute Offering the Latest in Laser Cataract and LASIK Surgery to Southwest Oklahoma



Ann Acers-Warn, MD, MBA
Clinical Professor
Director, American Board of Ophthalmology
Past President, Oklahoma Board of Medical Licensure and Supervision



Jean R. Hausheer, MD, FACS
Clinical Professor
President, Oklahoma State Medical Association
Past President, Oklahoma Academy of Ophthalmology

The Dean McGee Eye Institute is dedicated to serving all Oklahomans and the global community through excellence and leadership in patient care, education, and vision research.

- Serving Oklahomans since 1975 and Lawton since 1994
- 22 doctors listed in *Best Doctors in America* and/or *Top Doctors*
- *U.S. News & World Report* and *Ophthalmology Times*' rankings of top Eye Institutes
- Local comprehensive and subspecialty eye care
- Highly respected state and national medical leaders

Call for Appointment 580.250.5855



3201 W. Gore Blvd., #200, Lawton, OK 73505
www.dmei.org



Trinity Assembly of God

**Building The Kingdom...
One Life At A Time!**

***Come Join Our
Church Family!***

**202 SE 45th St Lawton, OK 73501
580.357.5571**

Lawton Proud Since 1965

- **Brand Name Products**
- **Competitive Prices**
- **Service Before & After The Sale**
- **In Stock Merchandise**
- **Immediate Delivery**

"The best deals are at Rains, our prices prove it."



**3322 SW 11th St. (Across from the Lawton Airport)
355-5395 • rainsltd.com**



**Nov. 6th RE-ELECT
FRED C.
SMITH**

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

**The only candidate for District Attorney who
is a proud lifelong resident of Lawton!**

Paid for by Committee to Re-Elect Fred C. Smith District Attorney 2018 Kyle Cabelka Chairman

101 things to do While You Live in Lawton

Below is a list of 101 things to do while you live in Lawton. Some are right here in Lawton, and others are in the surrounding areas.

Lawton

- Museum of the Great Plains
- Lawton Philharmonic Orchestra
- Lawton Community Theater
- Tour of the Mattie Beal Home
- Tomato Festival
- Farmers Market
- 3 Mile Thursday
- Spirit of Survival
- 580 Roller Girls
- Arts For All
- International Festival
- Armed Forces Day Parade
- Lawton Rangers Rodeo
- Comanche National Museum and Cultural Center
- Leslie Powell Gallery
- Cameron University Basketball
- Cameron University Baseball
- Cameron University Softball
- Cameron University Tennis
- Cameron University Volleyball
- Roller Skating at Laugh Out Loud
- The Living Christmas Tree at First Baptist Church
- Elmer Thomas Park
- Homecoming at Cameron University
- Gobble Wobble Annual Thanksgiving Day walk/run
- Annual Christmas lighting at the Park and the Parade
- Freedom Festival - 4th of July/Lawton
- Playing Golf at Lawton Country Club
- Oktoberfest at the Great Plains Coliseum and at Fort Sill
- Comanche Nation Fair and PowWow
- Comanche County Free Fair
- Blue Moon Theater
- Frost Ya’ Fanny Race
- Great Plains Winter National Hog, Sheep & Goat Show
- Scuba Diving- Lake Elmer Thomas
- Chautauqua

- Wichita Wildlife Refuge
- Climb or drive up Mount Scott
- Star gazing tour at the Wildlife Refuge
- Tour of the Wichitas Bike Race
- Longhorn Auction
- Holy City of the Wichitas and Easter Pageant
- Medicine Park
- The Mayors Blues Ball
- Bison Auction
- Eagle watching tours at the Wildlife Refuge
- Wichita Mountains Hiking Trails
- Polar Bear Plunge
- Native Flute Fest in Medicine Park
- Swimming/Trout Fishing Medicine Creek
- Christ Kindl Market
- Wichita Mountains Wildflower and Fall Foliage Tours
- Red Dirt Fest
- Kayaking-Lawtonka
- Wichita Mountains Bugling Elk Tour
- Guided Wildlife Tours

Fort Sill

- U.S. Army Field Artillery Museum
- Fort Sill National Historic Landmark and Museum
- Playing Golf at Fort Sill Golf Club
- Change of Command
- Buffalo Burger Cook-Out
- Kayak, pedal boats, canoe, water slide and miniature golf at LETRA
- Fort Sill Prehistoric Tar pit
- Old Post Quadrangle- Fort Sill and Candle Light Stroll
- Flippers Ditch
- Native American Cemeteries
- Medicine Bluff, Fort Sill
- Fort Sill Concert Series

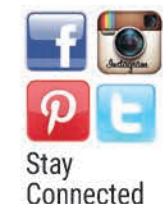
Surrounding Areas

- Chisholm Trail Museum
- Playing golf at Territory Golf Club
- Cruisin’ The Chisholm Trail Car Show
- Stampede the Trail
- Dehydrator Bicycle Race
- Wine Festival
- Watermelon Festival
- Fort Cobb State Park
- Apache, Mangum, & Waurika Rattle Snake Festivals
- Mo Betta Celebrity Quail Hunt
- Meers Store and Restaurant
- Tour de Meers Bike Race
- Geronimo Bull Riding
- Hackberry Flat
- World War II Jump School
- Oyster Feed and Festival
- Tillman County Cotton Festival
- Entertainment at Ramona Theater
- Fort Sill National Cemetery
- Quannah Parker Star House
- Cache Frontier Days
- Quartz Mountain Lodge & Resort
- Oklahoma Arts Institute
- General Tommy Franks Museum
- Chili dogs and a Movie at the Liberty Theater
- Museum of the Western Prairie
- Morgan Doll Museum
- Tour of the Woods And Waters Winery and Restaurant
- Southern Plains Indian Museum-Anadarko
- Old Greer County Museum and Hall of Fame
- Washita Battlefield National Historic Site & Black Kettle National Grasslands
- Tom Steed Reservoir
- Jahn’s Pumpkin Patch



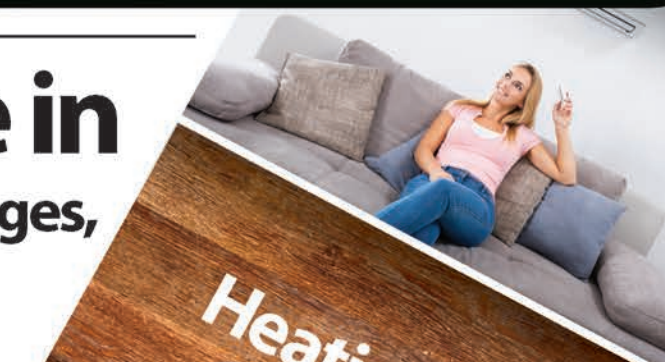
We specialize in
complete building packages,
including customized
post frame buildings
storage sheds, garages
and entire houses.

**Our staff of
knowledgeable
experts can help
plan any project,
large or small.**



2106

Lawton, OK 1011 SE First St. (580) 248-7437



**Heating &
Cooling**

**Electrical
& Plumbing**



**Floor Covering
& Cabinetry**

Paint



**Lawn &
Garden**



Doors



Tools





Cooling off at the Spalsh Park

*Thank you to all the supporters of the
2018 Armed Forces Day Parade*



We are **LAWTON PROUD**



www.spiritofsurvival.com

13th ANNUAL

Spirit of Survival
2018

**Help us Kick-Off Our
Spirit of Survival Event!**

EVERY SEASON STARTS AT



Friday, June 29th from 12 pm to 7:00 pm
Saturday, July 28th — First Day of Training
(12 weeks through October 13th)

13.1M • 6.6M • 5K | 62M • 52M • 26M • 13M

RUN

RIDE

Benefitting

Altus • Lawton • Duncan • Chickasha

CANCER CENTERS

of Southwest Oklahoma

ccswok.com

Want to Get Involved?

If you would like to join Lawton Proud as a business, there are three annual partnership levels available. Listed below is each level and how your business is represented at each level.

Bronze level

- Business logo on the Lawton Proud website partnership page
- Business logo on 'Sponsor Saturday' featured post on the Facebook Page

Silver level

- Business logo on the Lawton Proud website partnership page

- Business logo on 'Sponsor Saturday' featured post on the Facebook Page

- Pop-up ad on website advertising your business as a sponsor

- Picture of your business featured in the partner album of the Facebook page

Gold Level

- Business logo on the Lawton Proud website partnership page

- Business logo on 'Sponsor Saturday' featured post on the Facebook Page

- Pop-up ad on website advertising your business as a sponsor



- Picture of your business featured in the partner album of the Facebook page

- Entry page ad on the website

- Business logo featured at the end of the company video on website

To find out more about Lawton Proud or to get involved with helping to spread positive news in the community, visit LawtonProud.com or Facebook.com/LawtonProud.



B & R Sprinklers

Sprinklers and French Drains Installed and Repairs. Free estimates.

Call (580) 695-1844

Deuteronomy 31:6
"STRONG AND COURAGEOUS"

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

An Independant Fundamental Baptist Church of Lawton Oklahoma

Serving the Lawton-Ft. Sill Community
Dr. Robert "Bob" Weger
7501 SW Lee Blvd. • Lawton, OK • (580)536-6272

Visit us at
swoknews.com

WE'RE PROUD TO CALL LAWTON HOME!



**CAMERON
UNIVERSITY**

2800 W. GORE BLVD., LAWTON, OK 73505
(580) 581-2200 • WWW.CAMERON.EDU





Parade Events



We are a family owned company proudly serving the Lawton, Oklahoma and Wichita Falls, Texas areas with the highest quality building supplies since 1961.

Garage Doors, Entry Doors, Windows, Fireplaces,
Masonry, Brick And Vacuums
For Commercial And Residential Properties

Please call today for sales, service, and installation.
(580) 355-0860



101 E. Gore Blvd. • Lawton, OK 73501
hallbuildingproducts.com 

New Location in OKC 2708 S. Meridian

BUILD YOUR Dream Home



With a construction loan* from BancFirst.

FLEXIBLE TERMS | COMPETITIVE RATES

Call today for an
appointment

Carrie J Mayse

NMLS# 564624

580.250.2098

carrie.mayse@bancfirst.bank

Heather M Red Elk

NMLS# 1071752

580.250.2005

heather.redelk@bancfirst.bank

Shirley Myers

NMLS# 704206

580.354.3604

shirley.myers@bancfirst.bank

BancFirst
Loyal

To Oklahoma & You™

LAWTON

501 SW C Ave. | 15 NW 67th St.

3801 NW Cache Road

2204 NW Ferris Ave. (drive-thru) | 580.353.7700

*With approved credit.



WWW.BANCFIRST.BANK





deposit accounts Savings Checking Share Certificates IRAs	loans & cards Auto & Personal Loans Mortgages Home Equity Loans CUDL AutoSMART VISA Rewards Cards
online services Online Banking & Bill Pay Mobile & Text Banking Mobile Deposit & Payments	convenience & wellbeing Mobile ATM Shared Branching CO-OP ATM Network Financial Education Counseling Services

If you live, work, worship or attend school in Comanche County, you can enjoy these benefits and more!

fsfcu.com • 580.353.2124 • 800.654.9885
 FEDERALLY INSURED BY NCUA

BEWARE OF HACKERS!

Don't leave your computer vulnerable to the everyday threats of spyware, malware, hackers, or viruses.

Contact us today for a free consultation to see exactly how we can help you stay protected.

AA Computer Services

YOUR COMPLETE OFFICE SOLUTION

580.357.4482 www.aa-cs.com

Lawton Proud Since 1966

It's All About Results!

Call us at 580.357.0842
 4301 NW Cache Rd.
 Lawton, OK 73505
www.parksjonesrealty.com



5101 SW Lee Blvd.
Lawton, OK 73505

Now Accepts Most Insurances For Your Convenience

Call

357-8720

www.swokfoot.com

- Arthritis
- Bunions
- Diabetic Foot Care
- Foot Surgery
- Fractures
- Heel Pain
- Ingrown Toenails
- Sprains
- Sports Medicine

Dr. Bryan Cain D.P.M
 and
Dr. John Cauthon D.P.M

Physicians and Surgeons of the Foot & Ankle
Board Certified by the A.B.P.M.

Don't Suffer in Silence

SPEAK UP ABOUT HEARING LOSS!

Untreated hearing loss can also contribute to **depression**, **dementia** and **social isolation**.

In general, the better your hearing health, the younger you feel.



Advanced
HEARING AIDS
& AUDIOLOGY ASSOC.

Our team of hearing experts focuses on your hearing needs. Advanced Audiology patients receive a high level of individual care and the attention and treatment they deserve for long term success.



Travis Ortega
Owner, Au.D.

Duncan
1334 Harville Rd.
580-252-5200

Lawton
5402 S.W. Lee Blvd.
580-536-6122

Altus
1200 E. Pecan Street
888-518-6088

www.HearingAidsOklahoma.com

© 2014 Audibel. All Rights Reserved. 10/14 NPIN0163-02-EE-AB

Lawton Proud

"Cameron University is proud to have played a role in the career success of thousands of Lawton and southwest Oklahoma residents for more than a century. Just as importantly, our sports, music, art and theatre programs have helped make Lawton a great place to live and raise families."

- Dr. John McArthur, Cameron University President

Treehouse Garden Center

Located 1 Block North of the old Salas on 2nd & Lee

Trees

- River Birch
- Chinese Pistache
- Lacebark & Cedar Elm
- Shantung Maple
- Burr, Red & Live Oak
- Cleveland Select
- Flowering Pear
- Drummond Maple
- Bald Cypress
- Oklahoma Red Bud
- Much More

& Shrubs

- Red Tip Photinia
- Nandina's
- Elaeagnus
- Abelia's
- Spirea's
- Grape Myrtles
- Dwarf Grape Myrtles

Come see the largest selection of trees in SW Oklahoma. Thousands to choose from!!!

All Grown Here in Lawton
We Offer Planting Service

Pots & Chimineas
60% Off

OPEN
Mon. - Sat. 10am - 5pm
580-695-3680

Wherever you use water, **Culligan can make it better.**



Softer brighter laundry



Longer Lasting Appliances



Softer skin & easier cleaning



Refreshing drinking water

You could give your people

Culligan Water™



2715 West Lee Blvd. • Lawton, OK 73505 • (580) 355-3708

Family Owned & Operated Since 1957

We would like to Thank Our Committe Members!



Corvias

GREAT PLAINS
Technology Center



Large Party Space
seats up to 90

**Hail & Farewells • Fundraisers • Buffets
Birthday Parties • Any Special Occasion • Sports Teams**



247 E. Gore Blvd. • Lawton, OK • 580-357-1600
Open 7 days a week

Salas Urban Cantina www.salasurbancantina.com

We Are Proud To Announce Our
EXCELLENT Star Ratings



Montevista Rehabilitation & Skilled Care is proud to announce it has achieved
a **5-Star Rating** by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services!

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has created a quality rating system
to help patients, their families, and caregivers compare nursing centers more easily.

Our **5-STAR RATING** reflects our ongoing commitment to delivering the best care
to each and every patient in a safe, pleasant, family-like environment.

CALL 580.536.2866 TODAY!

7604 Quanah Parker Trailway • Lawton, OK 73505 • www.montevistarehab.com

Safety First for Lawton Fort Sill

The City of Lawton continues to advance the priorities of citizens, to include Creating a Safer City. In recent years, the City has worked closely with the public safety unions to raise starting salaries, as well as offer incentive bonus payments, for the third consecutive year with an intended focus of boosting retention and recruitment rates.

During the 2017 calendar year, the City of Lawton saw an 11.4 percent decrease in crime. Both Police and Fire departments will soon see the raising of the Public Safety Facility in downtown Lawton, which will be complete by August 2019, and houses a new police department, jail, fire house and municipal court.

The 106,778 sq. ft. facil-

ity will be comprised of 350 work stations and serve as a beacon of the commitment to public safety efforts and enhancements in our community.

Lawton also attained a "Class 1" ISO Rating this year, for the first time, thanks to efforts and advancements of both the Fire and Police departments, in coordination

with our Water Distribution Division and the water treatment plants of the City of Lawton. This topmost rating has been achieved by only two other cities in the state and will positively affect homeowners in our area, as property insurance rates are expected to decrease with the attainment of our new rating.

Lawton Proud!

Lawton's Real Estate Agent Since 1984



Susan Stricklin

580.917.0707

West Gore Blvd.

www.homeslawton.com

Roadback, Inc.

- Substance Abuse Education, Treatment, & Prevention
- DUI classes, assessments, & VIP panels
- Multi-level treatment services for men & women
- Transitional Living Homes

(580) 357-8114, 6889, 4390
www.roadbacklawton.org

FRAME IT

GIFT IT

DRESS IT



- Huge Frame Choices
- Photo Restoration
- In Business Over 30 Years

Gill's

Custom Framing
Photography
Photo Restoration

- Wedding Invitations
- Bridal Registration
- Gifts For All Ages

Massad's
gifts and stationery

- Suits, Sport Coats & Shoes
- Casual Apparel
- Custom Clothing & Shirts
- Tuxedo Rentals

EDWARD'S
MEN'S WEAR
Est. 1954

- Jewelry • Rustic Cuff
- Kendra Scott
- Brighton Collectibles
- Casual, Fun Apparel

**WOODEN
nickel**
@ EDWARD'S
women's apparel

400 BLOCK DOWNTOWN LAWTON



#Lawton Proud

“The greatest asset of Lawton is its people. You can see this daily with the friendliness and kindness of the people here, as well as the spirit of volunteerism that is prevalent throughout our community. With the many positive elements associated with living here and a promising future, there are many reasons for all of us to be ‘Lawton Proud.’”

**Jimmy Cagle, Manager, Communications,
The Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company**

**“Real Estate Auctions Work
- We’ve Proven It!”**



**We Are
Lawton Proud!**

580.248.6676 • www.stallingsauction.com

*Locally Owned and
Locally Grown*



*Your Premier Full Service Garden Center
Landscaping, Irrigation, Lighting, Water Features,
Concrete Edging, Shrubs, Trees, Annuals, Perennials,
Vegetable and Herb Plants*

“Come See The Difference!”

bedrocknursery.com

Monday-Saturday 9-5

580.248.6337

1802 NW 67th Street



McMahon Lecture Hall

**Also available: commercial kitchen,
light industrial bays, co-working
spaces, and commercial arts studios.**



**Buddy Green
Conference Room**

Business Development Center

at Great Plains Technology Center

**Host your next meeting with us!
We can accommodate groups from 10-90.**

**Apply for tenancy or time
rental today!**



Commercial Kitchen

Contact: Cody Holt,
Business Center Coordinator
580.250.5519 or cholt@greatplains.edu

GREAT PLAINS
Technology Center
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER

**www.bdc.greatplains.edu
1601 SW Park Ridge Blvd.**



Pioneer Days at the Great Plains Musiem

perkins
communications

OK-LIC#1427

The Perkins Family have been PROUDLY Servicing businesses since 1981.

**Business Phone Systems • Voice Mail • VOIP • Audio/Video
Computer Network Cabling • Fiber Optics • Surveillance-CCTV**

For all your business communication needs Contact: Jack or Troy Perkins (580) 355-0156 • 1007 SW F



Lawton Proud! Since 1977

**Fostering the Arts in Southwest Oklahoma
Helping To Keep the Arts Alive In Our
Community and Schools - All Year Round!**

**For More Info: www.LawtonAFA.org
Phone: (580)248-5384**

Hilton Garden Inn™

“We Are LAWTON Proud”



Meeting Space • Banquets • Weddings • Catering • Holiday Parties

Soup & Salad Bar



Monday-Friday 11-2 pm **\$8.95**

Looking for a higher scale location for dinner?

Dinner and drinks are served from 4-10 pm daily.



Outstanding Citizen **Lawton Fort Sill**

The Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women is a diverse group of women who come together to help grow and cultivate the Lawton Fort Sill community. In addition to identifying issues faced by women in our city, the commission advises the mayor and City Council on such issues and seeks solutions. Monthly, the group also honors an Outstanding Citizen of Comanche County at a Lawton City Council meeting. The citizen is honored with a proclamation from the mayor, words of gratitude and a bouquet!

Such honorees are chosen from nominations submitted by everyday citizens. Outstanding Citizens are recognized for their contri-

butions and positive impacts on the Lawton Fort Sill community.

"It is so important to recognize the good things happening in our community,"



said Nicole Bucher, MCSW chairperson. "There are so many amazing things that go unseen. This is a way for us to bring those activities –

and those who oversee their coordination – into the spotlight."

Citizens may find nomination forms for Outstanding Citizen of the Month by vis-

iting lawtonok.gov/departments/mayors-office. Additional questions may be submitted to nicole@aloe-vera.com.

RECENT HONOREES:

2017:
June
Nancy Willoughby
July
Dr. Tom Deighan
Aug
Gloria Mercado
Sept
No COM

Oct
Marcia Frazier
Nov
Robert Peterson
Dec
Albert Rivas
2018:
Jan - Bridget & Ervin Randle

Feb
Nan Taylor Kent
March
Stan Booker
April
LHS Key Club
May
Indie Michaels

TEXOMA'S LOWEST PRICED RV DEALER!

2018 Viking 16SFB

as low as
\$156
per month!



RV
Connection

2202 US Hwy 281 • Lawton, OK • gorvconnection.com

Low Price • Big Selection • Hometown Service

Call for rental program details.
580.248.5166



Weddings, Banquets, Parties, Meetings & More

Enjoy all there is to offer at the Club!

Professional Event Planning Services • 15,000 sq ft event space

Available to members & non members

For more information call 580.353.2076

4601 West Gore Boulevard • Lawton, Oklahoma



Downtown Proud

Although it has taken several decades in OKC, our citizens saw how OKC's MAPS projects revitalized their decaying downtown area and Lawton is following suit. The citizens of

Lawton have shown great confidence in our City by taxing ourselves as a way of investing in our City's long term future. Many street improvements, to include Second Street beautification

efforts, have been financed in part or fully by CIP (Capital Improvement Program) dollars. Other major projects that will positively affect the visibility, traffic and ambiance of downtown – all approved by City voters – include the Elmer Thomas Park Splash Pad, Public

Safety Facility and the East Gore connectivity project. Lawton's leaders and citizens alike all see the tremendous value in improving Lawton's core and we have already made great strides in our own downtown revitalization.

The Lawton Fort Sill

Chamber of Commerce has shared its vision of developing the "Ware District" this year as well – a place where volunteerism, small business and City leadership unite to produce regular downtown happenings for networking, tourism, fellowship and fun! Stay tuned!



JOHNNY OWENS
BROKER/OWNER



LINDA MASK
BROKER ASSOCIATE



TED WARKENTIN
BROKER ASSOCIATE



LARRY HOLCOMB
SALES ASSOCIATE



DON ARMES
SALES ASSOCIATE



CHARLES YOUNG
SALES ASSOCIATE



STACI OWENS
EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT



DEBBIE MARTIN
LISTING MANAGER

"WE STAND LAWTON PROUD!"

OVER 100 YEARS EXPERIENCE

CALL 580-248-4192

3801 NW CACHE RD. SUITE 200 LAWTON, OK 73505 • WWW.JOHNNYOWENS.COM



Johnny Owens

Commerical Properties, Inc.



Proud to be named Certified Healthy Community

The City of Lawton has earned recognition for the second time as an Oklahoma Excellence Certified Healthy Community – the highest of three levels of certifications – for its commitment to promote wellness, encourage the adoption of healthy behaviors and establish safe and supportive environments.

The annual certification recognizes Oklahoma communities for “outstanding efforts and achievements in actively creating communities that are a healthy place to live, work, learn and play,” according to CertifiedHealthyOk.com. It was established by the “Oklahoma Certified Healthy Communities Act,” signed into law by Gov. Mary Fallin in 2010. Organiza-

tional administrators of the program include: Oklahoma Turning Point Council, Oklahoma State Department of Health and the Center for the Advancement of Wellness.

“It is the policies of the Lawton City Council, Lawton Board of Education and the entire Lawton Fort Sill community that has earned the City of Lawton this recognition,” said City of Lawton Community Services Director Richard Rogalski, whose department oversaw the application process on behalf of the City. “With the collaboration of community partners such as Fit Kids of Southwest Oklahoma, Comanche County Memorial Hospital, Comanche County Health Department and

Fort Sill Family and MWR, we have succeeded in our efforts to advance community health and safety.”

The application consisted of four sections – Tobacco and Alcohol, Nutrition and Physical Activity, Community Resources, and Education and Awareness – and was submitted this past fall. News of the excellence rating arrived to City employees on Dec. 20.

“(Lawton’s) commitment to pursuing certification is a great step forward in helping shape our future,” said Stephanie U’Ren, director for the Center for the Advancement of Wellness.

Representatives from the City of Lawton will attend a Certified Healthy Oklahoma event in March 2018 in Oklahoma City to be honored for this achievement. Call the City of Lawton Community Services Department at 580.581.3375 for additional information.

Dwight Tanner For Mayor

**Working Smart • Being Fair
Putting Citizens First**



I Vote
NO!
Water Bill
Increase



YES!
Twice Per Week
Trash Pickup



YES!
Funding Senior
Citizen Services

Vote Tanner the Citizens' Mayor!
Tuesday, August 28

Paid for by the committee to elect Dwight Tanner, Jr. for Mayor, 2018

Can you name all the hospitals in the region certified for advanced joint replacement?

We'll give you a hint. There's just one.

As the first in the region to achieve **Advanced Certification** in **Total Hip** and **Total Knee Replacement** from The Joint Commission, you can be assured you will receive the safest, highest quality care possible.

SWMOnline.com | 580-353-8600

JOINT CENTER at Southwestern





Lawton Fort Sill Chamber of Commerce Redcoat Ambassadors greet each other.

All About Pets

**We Are
Lawton Proud**

Dr. Wood, DVM
by Appointment Only
We welcome all exotic pets
as well as Fido and Fluffy.



**309 W. Gore Blvd.
(580) 357-4966**

Monday - Friday 9:30 - 5:00 by Appt.
www.allaboutpetsvetclinic.com



**Quality & Rare
WINES**

**Best
SPIRITS**
Huge Selection!

BEER
High Point
Imported & Unique



Contact us at cacheroad1@sbcglobal.net
to get on our email list for tastings,
sale items & other events.

2002 NW Cache Road • (580) 355-7451

cacheroadliquor.com



Lawton Fort Sill Bikes!

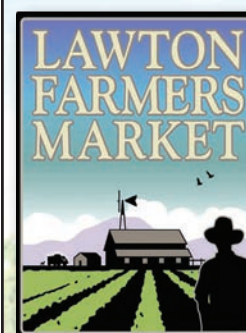
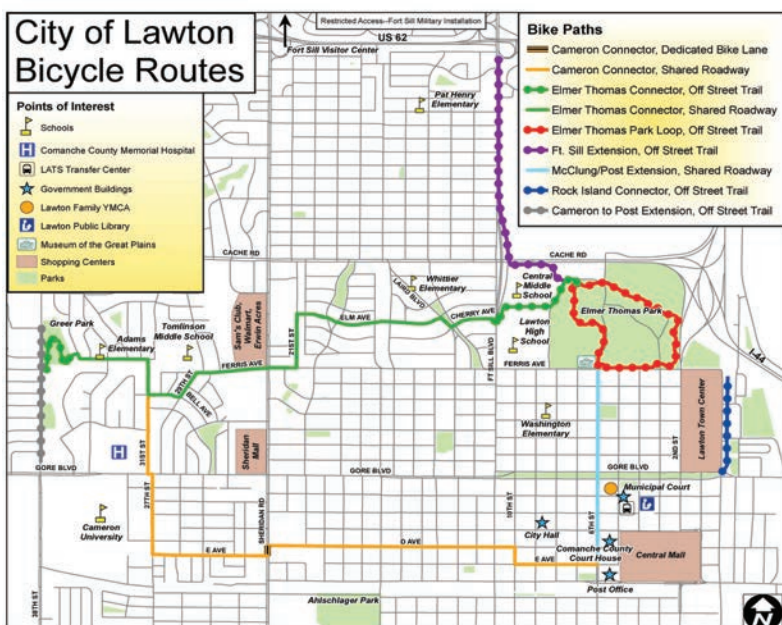
The first phase of the Lawton bike routes were completed in 2016. These routes include off-street trails, dedicated bike lanes, and shared

roadways. To best use these routes, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration offers the following safety tips:

- Cyclists should follow the same rules as motorists when on the roadway

- Ride defensively, with the flow of traffic, and obey all street signs, signals, and markings

- Riding in a predictable fashion helps motorists understand your movements and decreases the possibility of collision



Saturdays 8:00 a.m. - Noon
920 SW Sheridan Rd.
Great Plains Coliseum

Fresh Local Produce!

Salsa's, Jams, Jellies, Wine, Plants, Flowers & Herbs!

Locally Raised Meats and Farm Fresh Eggs!

Local Crafters & Artisans!

Baked Goods, Local Honey & So Much More!

Together we can build the market!

For more information visit the Lawton Farmers Market Facebook page or LawtonFarmersMarket.com
 Paid for by the Lawton Farmers Market Institute

Visit us at
swoknews.com

THANK YOU LAWTON FOR CHOOSING US BEST!



**LANDSCAPE
IRRIGATION**

580-510-9983

4-dlandscape.com

Jesus is Lord





Wichita Wildlife Refuge

**COLDWELL
BANKER**

CROSSROADS, REALTORS



**1158 NW Cache Road
580-248-8460**

www.cbccrossroads.com
Independently Owned and Operated

"When you make a commitment
to the Coldwell Bankers® brand,
we make one to you!"

Large Selection of Rental Properties



Toy Chiropractic Clinic

Serving Lawton for over 32 years and voted Lawton's favorite chiropractor time and time again. Our doctors have over 70 years of combined experience in treating families for pain management, personal injuries, sports injuries and more.

**Dr. James W. Toy
Dr. Douglas M. Smith**

**Call for same day
appointments**

580-536-4844

**Monday-Friday 9am-9pm
Saturday 9am-3pm
Open long hours for your
convenience.**



7007 NW Cache Road • toychiropractic.com

"We Set The Standards Others Try To Live Up To."

"The meaning of work is to translate love into something visible."
We firmly believe that's what we do. We love people and we love
bringing beauty to their homes and businesses through the work we
perform. And it's not just about the beauty. It's about giving people
more free time to do the things or spend with people THEY love.

The Garza Brothers

**Garza's
GREEN
GRASS**

LAWNCARE & LANDSCAPING



David & Danny Garza

**OKC 405.246.6370 – LAWTON 580.591.3821
WWW.GARZASGREENGRASS.COM**

Your COMMUNITY HOSPITAL



CCMH is proud to offer advanced services and technology to our friends and neighbors right here at home, to prevent you from having to travel for the healthcare you need and deserve. CCMH provides many of the region's ONLY comprehensive services to include, the first and only level II neonatal intensive care unit, the only comprehensive cardiovascular care program, the McMahon Center for Breast Health, a comprehensive breast imaging program; the only Mako robotic arm assisted joint replacement system in Southwest Oklahoma and comprehensive cancer care at the Leah M. Fitch Cancer Center. The Drewry Family Emergency Center has expanded capacity to 36 rooms to better serve the growing needs of the community. CCMH is also proud to be designated as an Advanced Primary Stroke Center.

The Memorial Medical Group (MMG) is comprised of more than 100 local providers from over 20 medical specialties who have joined together to create the area's largest medical group. MMG is proud to provide specialists in general surgery, neurosurgery, orthopedics, podiatry and many more. Our primary care providers also have same day and next day appointments available. Call 580.510.7030 to make an appointment.

Comanche County Memorial Hospital, Your Community Hospital!

**Comanche
County
Memorial
Hospital**

580.355.8620

CCMHHEALTH.COM