

Rotary Speakers/Programs List February 2025

1. Jon Cunningham, Central Oklahoma Camp

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For over 60 years, we have provided quality camping experiences for people with special needs, churches, and a variety of non-profit organizations. (Including RYLA!)

2. Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

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Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an intensive leadership experience organized by Rotary clubs and districts where students ages 14 - 17 develop their skills as a leader while having fun and making connections.

Through RYLA events, clubs, districts, and multidistricts equip young leaders with the knowledge and skills they need to make real change locally and globally.

3. Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy – Joe Dorman, CEO

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Joe Dorman serves as the Chief Executive Officer for the Oklahoma Institute for Child Advocacy. OICA, founded in 1983, is the statewide nonprofit organization that serves as the voice for Oklahoma's children within state government. OICA continues to work with policymakers to help shape laws and policies based upon suggestions from the annual Fall Forum policy conference. In addition to working on various grant programs with collaborative partners, OICA is the state affiliate for the Kid Governor program, which provides curriculum to 5th grade teachers to help educate their students about the importance of civics and voting. Joe served House District 65 as the state representative for 12 years, which included parts of Caddo, Comanche, Cotton, Grady and Stephens Counties. He authored key pieces of legislation for education, public safety, and government accountability. He was a candidate for Governor in 2014, and formerly served as a town council member in Rush Springs, as well as the chairman of the Watermelon Festival held on the second Saturday of August.

Joe is a board member of the Oklahoma Academy, Ground Zero, the Jasmine Moran Children's Museum, the Oklahoma Intercollegiate Legislature Foundation, and is a graduate of Leadership Oklahoma. He is a member of the Rotary Club of Oklahoma City and was selected by the Journal Record as one of

the 50 most influential Oklahoma CEOs in 2022. He is also a former President of the Bricktown Rotary Club.

4. Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma – Charlie Ludden

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Charlie Ludden serves as the Director of Development for Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma. Charlie graduated from Oklahoma City University, where he was a Clara Luper Scholarship recipient. Charlie has been working in the non-profit sector for over 14 years in various fundraising roles, as well as 8 years in ministry. When not working, Charlie can be seen running around our city at events, trying out new restaurants, or even on stage performing.

5. KOSU Radio – Development Director Jenny Mae Harms

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Rachel Hubbard is the executive director at KOSU, serving Oklahoma City, Tulsa and Stillwater, Oklahoma. She grew up in Washita County and started her radio career at age 16 reading the obituaries for KTJS in Hobart. Then, she stumbled into public radio in college after deciding that shredding paper wasn't a path to any job she really wanted. Rachel rose through the ranks at KOSU and has done a little bit of every job at the station except engineering. Along the way, she's done some pretty decent journalism and a lot of collaboration. The most recent was a collaboration with WNYC Studios and HISTORY Channel. *Blindspot: Tulsa Burning* won a duPont-Columbia award and was a finalist for a Peabody Award. Rachel is married to a great guy who supports all her crazy ideas. They live in Oklahoma County with their three sons, a small apiary and a biting donkey.

6. No Boundaries International – Lori Basey

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Dr. Lori Basey knows no limits when working with traumatized populations and mobilizing others to respond to devastation.

She is a keynote presenter, delivering presentations to thousands and quoted throughout the globe in publications such as the Los Angeles Times, Huffington Post, Daily News America, Orange County Register, People, Times of Mumbai, Daily Oklahoman, and Sierra Leone Times. Dr. Basey has been broadcasted within the United States and internationally, and had an article published in Advance, a therapeutic magazine.

Since 1991, she has specialized in acute psychiatric care, including trauma-informed therapeutic intervention following the Oklahoma City Murrah Federal Building bombing as well as the 9/11 disaster in NYC and the 2010

earthquake in Haiti. She is an expert consultant in trauma associated with war, exploitation, and natural disaster.

In 1997, Dr. Basey and her husband, Dr. Tom Basey, DDS, began responding internationally with their professional expertise. Dr. Lori Basey has traveled to many countries, including Israel, Honduras, Haiti, Belize, Moldova, India, Turkey, and Sierra Leone, in response to manmade and natural disasters.

In 2006, Dr. Basey co-founded No Boundaries International (NBI), a non-profit organization run solely by volunteers in Oklahoma City, OK. As President of NBI, Dr. Basey provides training on trauma-informed care and mobilizes volunteers to help those in the local community, especially those affected by human trafficking.

7. Big Brothers Big Sisters – Michael Stuemky, Area Director

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Michael is an Oklahoma Native, born and raised in Ponca City, the son of a hair stylist and Union Plumber. He moved away for college and eventually ended up in Norman in 2003, where he still currently lives with his wife, Aura, and his two daughters, Ellie and Ava.

A master barber by license and trade, and a business partner in multiple salons in Norman, he returned back to college as an adult earning two degrees, the first in History and the second in Social Studies Secondary Education. Upon graduation, Michael was hired to teach social studies at Norman North High School. Starting as an Oklahoma History teacher, he quickly transitioned to being the chair of ad hoc school culture committees, taking over the AP US History program, co-advising student council, and co-advising the student-led philanthropy program SPUD (Students Performing Unselfish Deeds).

Michael credits his diverse experiences of being raised in a blue-collar environment, working in a trade as a barber, operating as a business partner, and transitioning into the academic world as being the foundation for his understanding of the diverse needs of the community, and the needs of the youth served by both the schools and through philanthropic programs like the mission of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Oklahoma.

As the nation's largest donor and volunteer-supported mentoring network, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Oklahoma matches volunteer mentors (Bigs) with children (Littles) who need help with self-esteem, decision-making, and other areas of life.

8. Oklahoma City University – Navigating Fundraising with the Power of Collaboration – Beth Adele and Judy Reyes-Henderson

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Unlock the door to successful nonprofit fundraising by discovering the power of

collaboration between fundraising and marketing teams. This presentation introduces you to the basics of navigating the intricate world of fundraising for nonprofits, building meaningful connections with donors, crafting compelling messages, and avoiding common pitfalls. Join us for an engaging session that combines practical tips for fostering synergy between fundraising and marketing.

Judy Reyes-Henderson

Judy, owner of Focal Point Consulting & Interim Staffing (FCIS) has served the nonprofit sector for over 20 years in various roles.

Judy opened FCIS in 2023 after having served as the executive director for development at Ronald McDonald House Charities. Previously she served as the assistant vice president for development at Oklahoma City University from 2015 – 2021, the director of corporate and foundation relations at Langston University from 2014 – 2015, the development manager for University of Central Oklahoma from 2008 – 2014 and the division director for the March of Dimes from 2004 - 2008. In her current role as consultant and coach, she provides coaching and consulting to nonprofit leaders and staff who need and want personal and professional development in a confidential and collaborative one-on-one environment. Her expertise is listening, conducting in-depth interviews, asking questions, providing support, and giving feedback. She challenges individuals to be better versions of themselves for their organizations and others.

Judy has been an active member of the Greater Oklahoma City Hispanic Chamber, the Oklahoma Hospitality Club, and the VestHer C-Suite member organization. She is a charter member and co-founder of the Latino Faculty/Staff/Alumni Association at UCO. She currently serves on the board of Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma. She formerly served on the board of directors for the March of Dimes and has volunteered for the Regional Food Bank and the United Way.

Judy finds pride being a connector, simply someone who is relationship-focused in her approach to life, to people, and to business.

Beth Adele, Ph.D.

Beth, joined Oklahoma City University (OCU) as its Chair of the Mass Communications Department in the fall of 2019. Since then, she has added the titles of Associate Professor and Director of the Nonprofit Leadership graduate program. Prior to serving OCU, she was the Director of Marketing at Lyric Theatre of Oklahoma. Beth as also served as the Acting Chair and Assistant to the Dean at Cameron University's School of Business, as well as the Director of Career Services and Instructor of Marketing at the University of Central Oklahoma (UCO) where she was instrumental in the creation of the Veteran Higher Education Resources Office.

Beth earned her Ph.D. in Human Resource Development at The University of Texas at Tyler with an emphasis in organizational development and change management. Her dissertation focused on examining the beliefs, behaviors, and outcomes of managerial coaching. Beth is also a graduate of UCO with her Bachelor of Music and Master of Business Administration degrees. She is an alum of Leadership Edmond Class XXIX and holds a Nonprofit Management

Certification from the Oklahoma Center for Nonprofits as well as an Instructional Design Certification from the Association for Talent Development (ATD).

9. Carpenter Square Theater Rick Allen Lippert

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Rick Allen Lippert is the Board Chair for Carpenter Square Theatre where he is also the volunteer project manager for a three-year renovation of a post-war warehouse. The new home for the venerable community theater is at the corner of Reno and Western in Oklahoma City. Carpenter Square Theatre presents live performances of contemporary stage plays often presenting the regional or state premiere of recent works. Lippert's presentation includes a brief history of CST (now in its 39th season) and a short video of excerpts of recent plays. Other short videos highlight the construction process and what CST has done creatively during the pandemic. And if the Rotarians are nice, Rick just may have a special surprise for them!

10. Oklahoma County District Attorney - Vicki Behenna

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Vicki Behenna, is the newly elected District Attorney for Oklahoma County and the first female ever elected to that position. She is a former Assistant United States Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma. During her tenure as an Assistant United States Attorney, she tried numerous fraud cases including bank, wire, mail, corporate and healthcare and was responsible for the prosecution of complex public corruption cases. Behenna's background and extensive investigative experience with complex investigations resulted in the conviction of many high-profile defendants.

Among her noteworthy prosecutions, Behenna was selected to participate in the Oklahoma City bombing case against Timothy McVeigh as a special attorney to then U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno. Upon completion of the case, Behenna was selected by U.S. Attorney Pat Ryan to serve as senior litigation counsel for the Western District of Oklahoma. Behenna has tried numerous bank fraud cases including a case against State Senator Paul Taliaferro and Dale Mitchell. She was involved in the investigation and prosecution of two high profile public corruption cases involving the Oklahoma State Treasurer's office and the Senate Pro Tempe. She also was involved in an off-label marketing case that resulted in a criminal conviction of Wyeth Pharmaceuticals and a settlement to the government in the amount of \$491 million.

Behenna left the U.S. Attorney's Office after 25 years and entered private practice representing clients charged with a variety of state and federal crimes.

Immediately upon leaving the U.S. Attorney's Office, Behenna joined Crowe &

Dunlevy as an advisory director and then opened her own firm of Behenna, Goerke, Krahll & Meyer. She also served as Executive Director of the Oklahoma Innocence Project at the Oklahoma City University School of Law. Behenna is an active speaker and a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association, Federal Bar Association, American Bar Association, Oklahoma Association of Women Lawyers and William J. Holloway, Jr. American Inn of Court. She served as an adjunct professor at Oklahoma City University School of Law instructing on trial practice and evidence courses.

Behenna received her Juris Doctor from the Oklahoma City University School of Law and her Bachelor of Arts in journalism from the University of Oklahoma.

11. Leslie Osborn – Oklahoma Commissioner of Labor

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Leslie will address what the OK Department of Labor is, their function, and what are the available programs for people and businesses across the state. Examples are free programs for small businesses on workplace safety trainings, wage and hour assistance for individuals who do not receive paychecks or for new businesses to properly pay wages. Also, she will be talking about occupational licenses across the state and the work done to make it easier and more efficient in acquiring and renewing. She usually ends with a call for civility and working together for a better Oklahoma.

12. OK State Dept of Education - Connect2Business – Meredith Dennis

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Meredith Dennis is a two-time graduate from the University of Oklahoma with professional history in family services and workforce development. Originally working with adults and families to strengthen employment skills and self-sufficiency, Meredith recently transferred that knowledge to youth-centered services and now works with the Oklahoma State Department of Education in the Office of College and Career Readiness. Her goal is to work with education and employment teams to identify barriers and help develop initiatives to provide access to meaningful and equitable work-based learning opportunities for the student.

13. Ryan Haynie – Oklahoma Council of Public Affairs

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Ryan Haynie serves as the Criminal Justice Reform Fellow for the Oklahoma Council of Public Affairs. Prior to joining OCPA, he practiced law in Oklahoma City. His work included representing the criminally accused in state and federal courts. Ryan is active in the Federalist Society, serving as the Programming Director for the Oklahoma City Lawyer's Chapter. He holds a B.B.A. from the University of Oklahoma and a J.D. from the University of Oklahoma College of Law.

14. Alzheimer's Association Oklahoma Chapter – Michaelle Statham
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Before coming to the Alzheimer's Association, Michaelle Statham spent her career in service to Oklahoma citizens. Twenty-nine years of that service were with the State of Oklahoma, serving in the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services as well as Department of Rehabilitation Services. Ms. Statham put her skills of communication, process improvement and advocacy to work in various capacities at each of the agencies. After leaving State service Ms. Statham continued her work in non-profit organizations, serving as the Director of Substance Abuse Prevention Services in Oklahoma County and then as Director of Programs in the Cleveland County Habitat for Humanity. Ms. Statham has a passion for and commitment to using data for evidence-based programs and evaluation and working with people to improve our communities. As the Director of Programs for the Alzheimer's Association she serves individuals and families who are touched by this disease through educational programs, support groups and referral to healthcare resources.

15. Shane Morris – Editor, The Oklahoman
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Shane is the General Manager and VP of Sales with the Oklahoman. He previously held a variety of local and regional sales leadership roles during his tenure with Gannett and most recently relocated from Fort Collins, CO to lead the Oklahoman team. He enjoys the outdoors, sports, has a passion for golf, and having grown up in Michigan will always be a Detroit Lions fan – for better or worse.

16. The Come Up Kids, Martial Arts for Youth – Emmanuel Rivera
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Emmanuel “El Punisher” Rivera, a former street kid from Chicago, is now the executive director of The Come Up Foundation in Oklahoma City and an MMA analyst on Sports Animal.

A former professional MMA fighter and dance instructor, Rivera has practiced martial arts for 13 years, and says it helped turn his life around. He's now giving back to disadvantaged youth to keep them off the streets and on the right path. Proficient in striking, Rivera's health challenges put a hold on his career as a professional MMA fighter but sparked a new passion to “pay forward” the valuable lessons he learned.

Rivera continues to train fighters, and to learn new lessons in life and business while he teaches and mentors The Come Up kids. As a proud second-generation Mexican-American, Rivera prefers to say he's an American of Mexican descent. Rivera works with disadvantaged youth across Oklahoma, partnering with other nonprofits and churches with plans to expand into schools. He works daily to grow the program to create a culture of mentorship in the martial arts community. Rivera says kids need to be addicted to martial arts disciplines and healthy living instead of cellphones and game consoles. He says martial arts is a lifestyle.

A former small business owner and MMA and color commentator, Rivera spent his early childhood roaming the streets of Chicago, but credits his single Mom with moving him to Henryetta, Oklahoma, because she feared him affiliating with gangs. Rivera said he still found trouble and moved out on his own at 16 and left for Las Vegas at 17, where he ran around with the wrong people but his love for his family and desire to pursue boxing caused him to return home and get on the right track. Rivera learned boxing from his uncles in the yard of his family home in Henryetta. He practiced relentlessly, sparring with cousins and anyone willing to go a few rounds. He started fighting in public in Toughman competitions in his early twenties. After he won three straight tournaments, he turned his focus to mixed martial arts.

Rivera quickly learned that martial arts is about more than fighting – it helps with stress relief, mental balance, overcoming unhealthy habits, and more.

Rivera had a promising career. He had 15 amateur and 8 professional fights in the cage (and one professional boxing bout), losing only four times. But winning in life is the message he hopes to spread to youth.

Come Up kids are asked to “commit and oblige” themselves to be honest, hard-working, strong and respectful. It’s a personal contract recited during training sessions.

“I want to impact kids like me, so they don’t make the mistakes I made. I want to give them the same opportunities I have had.” The Come Up Kids already are turning their lives around.

Rivera also owns a small nutrition shop, but says his greatest achievements are his two children; Mila, age 2, and Cooper, age 10. Rivera’s Come Up kids are important to him, too. He’s also a mentor for the Young Latino Professionals. And he has a message to Oklahoma City:

“Watch out, because we are ‘The Come Up Kids,’ and we are OKC’s leaders of the future.”

17. Hope Is Alive – Meredith Eaker

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Meredith Eaker comes to Hope is Alive (HIA) as the Corporate Development Manager after a 22-year career in Division I Athletics Administration. Eaker began her career in athletics administration at Liberty University, spent time at Mercer University and concluded her time as the Senior Associate Commissioner at the ASUN Conference in June of 2023. Eaker began her role at HIA in July of 2023 to partner in coordinating the launch of their newly developed support programming for corporations and educational institutions.

Eaker is a graduate of HIA online, a program piloted during the pandemic in 2020. With the healing and freedom she gained through the program she is excited to be a member of the HIA team and have the opportunity to provide avenues of education, support, and hope to all those affected by addiction.

HIA offers the country’s premier recovery program via their sober-mentoring homes. Eighty-Five percent of the graduates of this program continue on in long-term sobriety. With substance use on the rise, HIA understands the importance of addressing this epidemic head-on and within the population group

that contains the largest number of individuals suffering from alcohol and substance use disorder: the US workforce.

HIA also understands the importance of education, prevention and early intervention. This is why HIA also has support programming for high schools, and colleges/universities, to educate youth and young adults about the threat of this disease. Eaker has the privilege of promoting these special programs that align with HIA's mission: To Radically Change the lives of drug addicts, alcoholics and those that love them.

18. The Hugs Project – Ray & Karen Stark

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When the current conflict in the Middle East began, Karen Stark knew she couldn't just hope our Military got support from Americans. So, she and husband, Ray decided to do something.

They began The Hugs Project in 2004 as a labor of love to support troops "in harm's way". Since that time, the national organization has sent more than 5 million life-saving cooling ties (nicknamed "hugs") and more than 900,000 TONS of care packages.

Some of their awards include - Symphony of Service award from the National VFW Ladies Auxiliary, Golden Age Games award for exemplary service to others, Karen was elected as the 2007 L'Oreal Paris "Woman of Worth" in a national internet vote. President George Bush delivered Ray and Karen a Presidential Service Award in 2008 under the wing of Air Force One at Tinker AFB and they were thrilled to meet George H.W. Bush when as a couple, they were chosen as the Points of Light winner to attend a tribute in 2010 at the Kennedy Center in DC. Also in 2010 - Oklahoma Integris Health "Woman Making a Difference" and then Integris' National Community Hero in Action. Karen was elected as one of Oklahoma's "Ladies in the News". Ray was chosen by Bob Moore for a Service for Service award and recognized on Channel 9.

But Ray and Karen want to say, "The takeaway of all this is that - none of these honors mean as much as when a Soldier, Sailor, Airman, Marine or Guardsman comes by the office or makes a call to express their personal thanks. They are why we continue doing this project as we start our 20th year.

19. North America Rotary Action Group - Moving from Addiction for Profit to Addiction Prevention

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Serving to Change Lives/Save Lives

20. Giga Systems Pat Brown

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Cybersecurity, Bank Security, especially for Senior Citizens.

Giga Systems' objective is to help businesses relax amid the technological advances of today. Giga Systems works with businesses to create real world

solutions to their networking, communication and security needs. Giga Systems takes a proactive approach to network management. We use branded and custom written programs and scripts to monitor your network and check for problems. Many problems can be detected early and repaired before they become serious. Our goal is to give your business the resources to maintain high end services to efficiently communicate with the other side of town, the state, the nation, the world. We have solutions.

21. True Crime by Richard Mullins

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After serving in the U.S. Navy, Richard worked a variety of jobs including in the oil fields as a roughneck in the scorching sun and in freezing Oklahoma weather. In 1964 a recruiter from the Oklahoma City Police Department came to Tulsa, Oklahoma providing testing for needed new recruits. Richard passed the test to become a proud member of the department that fall. His career began riding the downtown streets of OKC in a scout car. Within four years he was promoted to Detective. He would go on to serve 21 years rising to the rank the of Detective Sergeant in seven years. In the next fourteen years he headed up the first ever Sex Crimes Unit as well as overseeing the Auto Theft and Crime Analysis Units. After retirement from the OKC Police Department Richard was employed as by the state of Oklahoma as the first Environmental Criminal Investigator in Oklahoma State History. Over the years since leaving law enforcement, he began to gather research notes and ponder ideas for True Crime books. Using firsthand knowledge of criminal investigation and a number of interviews with survivors and family of the perpetrators and victims of the incidents that interested him, Richard began work on a series of books.

Things back then were very different from the high-tech world of today for the uniformed men who guarded the citizens of a fast-growing metropolis. From worn out old patrol cars with standard shifts, no power steering or air conditioning to fist fights with drunks, to low pay and long hours, this was a tough time to be an officer of the law. Fact is often stranger than fiction - so are the real stories of the events in Richard's time on patrol, before he traded his uniform in for a suit and hidden .38 snub nose.

22. Chickasaw Community Bank

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Executive Vice President; Director of Tribal and Construction Lending Dept. Chickasaw Community Bank (formerly Bank2) is 100% owned by the Chickasaw Nation. Nancy uses her 40 years of Commercial and Construction lending experience to help tribes find solutions to housing challenges. She also directs the

Single Close Construction programs for the bank. Over her career, she has held several bank positions as President and CEO, CFO, COO and Chief Lending Officer. She was a trustee on the Board of FaithShares Trust, an ETF, traded on the New York Stock Exchange. Nancy has an Economics Degree from Northwestern University, Evanston IL. She was on the Board of the OBAs Commercial Lending School. Attended numerous lending trainings programs as trainer and trainee and holds several Native American Lending Certificates -HUD 184 -Title VI. CCB is dedicated to helping “Build Better Lives for Everyone”. What better way than helping Tribes/HAs/TDHEs across the US!

23. Mid-Del Schools

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Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

Mid-Del Public Schools is committed to providing students with an equitable school climate that supports each student’s path to a prosocial identity by being culturally responsive to the patterns and wide range of norms, goals, values, interpersonal relationships, leadership practices, and organizational structures within the school and broader community. Mid-Del Students learn best when they are in an environment where they feel safe, supported, challenged, and accepted.

24. Kari Huskey Innovation Ambassador for Oklahoma Blood Institute

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Growing up in the northern Oklahoma town of Wakita, Kari Huskey can claim a little bit of Hollywood fame, as her hometown is known as a filming location of the 1996 movie “Twister.” For her secondary education, Kari earned a degree in Business Administration and Marketing from Oklahoma State University.

She has utilized the skills and knowledge that she brought from OSU to build a successful career spanning over 25 years. During that time, Kari has held various sales and marketing positions in the health care, publishing, and hospitality, during which time she polished her talents for developing successful digital and print advertising campaigns; managing, training, mentoring and supervising teams; setting and following budgets; executing marketing strategies, and writing ad copy and press release for print, online and social media. Kari boasts film and radio experience as well, having delved into video conception, filming, editing and production, and had a stint as a successful radio personality.

In addition to her freelance marketing work and the brewokc.com website, her official title is Innovation Ambassador for Our Blood Institute. Working with their Strategic Software Solutions spin out, she is out in the community helping nonprofit organizations and businesses gamify their marketing and training

strategy to create more interaction and engagement with their target audience. Kari also has a big heart for volunteering and has served on boards of numerous non-profit, civic, and chamber organizations. She enjoys being active in the community and is always willing to step in whenever and wherever she feels she can make a difference. Besides being involved in her son's active ROTC and cross-country school activities, Kari stays busy with her running group, and has a goal to run a race in all 50 states.

25. Oklahoma City Community Foundation Joe Carter, VP Development
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Joe has over 30 years of experience in major gifts and planned giving. For the past nineteen years, he has been with the Oklahoma City Community Foundation where he currently serves as the Vice President of Development. His primary duties include oversight of all development activities of the foundation with a focus on educating and working with donors, non-profits, professional advisors, and their clients on structuring philanthropic plans that best meet the donor's charitable goals and objectives. In addition, he develops and presents continuing education classes for all advisor groups on the technical aspects of gift planning, the psychology of donor giving, and the advantages that charitable giving can provide. Duties also include working with non-profit organizations on developing their planned giving programs including board training and educational events for donors.

He serves on the National Board of Community Foundation Development Professionals (AdNet), is a current member and past president of the Oklahoma Association of Charitable Gift Planners and is a member of the OKC Estate Planning Council. He is a graduate of the American College's Chartered Advisor in Philanthropy (CAP) program and currently serves as the moderator for the OKC CAP cohorts. Prior to joining OCCF, he held positions as the Chief Development Officer for OK Children's Hospital Foundation, Associate Director of Development for St. Gregory's University, Director of Admissions for St. Gregory's University, and Associate Athletic Director at Oklahoma City University. Joe received his undergraduate degrees in Finance, Marketing and Economics from Oklahoma City University where he attended on a baseball scholarship.

26. Stacy McNeiland, CEO/Founder CARE Center
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Stacy is a graduate of UCO and OCU, holding an MBA and MLA. Stacy's been with The CARE Center since 2013. The CARE Center is a nationally accredited child advocacy center and the only non-profit serving the entire county of

Oklahoma county. The CARE Center is a non-profit organization focused on helping children heal after the heartbreaking act of abuse and educating children and families on abuse prevention. The CARE Center is a front-line organization, receiving cases of severe abuse within days of the disclosure/and or abuse. The CARE Center works directly with law enforcement, federal jurisdictions, DHS, medical teams, and the district attorney's office of Oklahoma County to collect evidence and provide investigative services to solve the crime of abuse. We work with a multidisciplinary team dedicated to prosecuting the child's offender and begin the healing process for children and families. Our prevention program, called ROAR, was created by McNeiland in 2017. The program is award winning and nation-wide, receiving honors through the Federal Bureau of Investigation and multiple state agencies. The program and the only youth-based curriculum for 4-8 year old's has taught over 70,000 children in Oklahoma alone. Through this free, prevention programs, our goal is to end child abuse in Oklahoma. Stacy is an active board member with Children's Advocacy Centers of Oklahoma, where she serves as Vice President/Site Reviewer as well as the Federal Bureau of Investigations Citizens Academy. She is actively engaged with the Oklahoma Center for Nonprofit's, Sigma Kappa sorority, a graduate of Leadership Edmond, graduate of Leadership Oklahoma City and Oklahoma Citizen's Academy and is a member of Rotary Oklahoma City, Club 29. Stacy has been recognized as The Journal Record's, Woman of the Year, Oklahoma City's Panhellenic Woman of the Year, received Edmond's "Most Flexible" Award, and honored as 405 Magazine's Humanitarian Award.

27. Donnie Anderson/Mark Woodward Oklahoma Bureau of
Narcotics

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Mark: Public Information/Education Officer/Legislative Liason

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Donnie Anderson is the Director of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control (OBNDDC). Director Anderson, a native Oklahoman, began his law enforcement career over 30 years ago at the Garvin County Sheriff's Office. During his time at the Sheriff's Office, Anderson served as both Undersheriff and Sheriff. He then served as Task Force Commander for the District 21 Drug and Violent Crime Task Force, which includes Garvin, McClain, and Cleveland counties. Before his appointment to OBNDDC, Anderson was the Oklahoma Inspector General for the Oklahoma Department of Corrections. He serves on several Boards to include being the chairman of the North Texas High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA), a member of the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET), Oklahoma Opioid Overdose

Fatality Review Board, and numerous others. Anderson graduated summa cum laude from the Central Christian College of Kansas with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice.

28. James Sharrock Past President, Club 29 Retired Attorney
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Jim Sharrock is a retired lawyer, heart/liver transplant recipient, and organ transplant advocate. He holds a BA in economics from the University of Oklahoma and a JD from the University of Oklahoma School of law. He was a shareholder with McAfee & Taft with a practice focused on real estate and business transactions. He retired in 2017.

Jim served as President of Club 29 and two terms as Chair of the Club 29 Foundation. He has also served Leadership Oklahoma City, Rebuilding Together OKC, and the Edmond Public School Foundation as President, and Youth Leadership Exchange as Chair. He has and continues to serve on the boards of other community organizations.

In 2016, Jim received a heart and liver transplant at Baylor University Medical Center in Dallas and has since become very involved in the transplant community. In 2017, he joined the board of LifeShare Oklahoma, where he served as Chair in 2021 & 2022. From 2019-2022 Jim represented Region 4 (Oklahoma and Texas) on the Patient Affairs Committee of the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network. He has served on the boards of both the OPTN and the United Network for Organ Sharing since 2020. He has also served on several other committees, including the Liver Committee, the Multi-Organ Committee, and the Executive Committees of both the OPTN and UNOS.

29. Darrell Weaver District 24 Senator
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Elected in 2018, state Senator Darrell Weaver of Moore represents Senate District 24. He is the only Senator to serve as the former Director of a state agency. Commissioned as an Agent with the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics in 1987, he held various assignments throughout the state. In September of 2006, he was appointed Director of the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control and retired after serving the Bureau for 28 years. In 2014, Senator Weaver was inducted into the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Hall of Fame. Senator Weaver is a graduate of Cameron University with a Bachelor of Accounting. He received the 2009 Distinguished Alumni Award and in 2013, was named as an "Acclaimed Aggie". He earned a Master of Business Administration from Oklahoma Christian University and was awarded an honorary Doctor of

Pharmacy.

Senator Weaver is a graduate of the FBI National Academy and the Senior Management Institute for Police. He is an Alumnus of Leadership Oklahoma Class XXIII, Leadership OKC Class XXVIII, the 2013 Leadership Moore Class, Leadership Tulsa Class 54, the TEAM South OKC Leadership Program, the 2011 Tinker Air Force Base COMMstar Program, and the Salt and Light Leadership Training (S.A.L.L.T.) program. Senator Weaver served as the 2010 State Charitable Campaign Chairman for the United Way and is a former State Board member for Big Brothers Big Sisters of Oklahoma. He was a long-time elected trustee of the Oklahoma Law Enforcement Retirement System (OLERS) and a member of the Council on Law Enforcement Education and Training (CLEET) governing council. Most recently, in 2021, he was appointed to the national board of CALEA (Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies) Commissioners and has served on numerous boards and committees. Senator Weaver served from 2015 to 2018 as the CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Oklahoma. A Christian author, Senator Weaver has been a speaker at men's groups, youth camps, and church gatherings across the State of Oklahoma. He currently attends Timber Creek Fellowship Church.

Senator Weaver and his wife, Kim, a physician, have five children, and own and operate Weaver Clinics. They are active members of the Moore Chamber of Commerce and South Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce. He served many years as a volunteer youth football and basketball coach.

30. Mike Knopp Executive Director of RiverSport

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Originally from Minnesota, Mike discovered rowing as a high school student in Annapolis, Maryland, watching the crew from the U.S. Naval Academy. He began pursuing his passion as an undergraduate at Oklahoma State University where he met his wife, Tempe, a fellow rower, and helped re-establish OSU's club rowing program. Mike went on to earn a juris doctorate from the University of Oklahoma where he founded OU's club crew. While in law school, Mike had the opportunity to row at Oxford, United Kingdom, further fueling his passion for the sport and its potential in the United States.

In the late 1990s, Mike and Tempe established a home in NE Oklahoma City and were instrumental in organizing the Oklahoma Association for Rowing at Lake Overholser in Oklahoma City. A few short years later, Mike took note as the city's MAPS program began rejuvenating the then-North Canadian River. His vision was clear as he looked toward a future that included community and collegiate rowing programs, construction of a community boathouse, and rowing events – regional, national and international – coming to life on the Oklahoma River. Mike soon left his successful legal career to dedicate his energies full time to

building Oklahoma City's potential as "America's next great rowing city." In 2003, Mike was named head rowing coach at Oklahoma City University and, shortly thereafter, executive director of the Oklahoma City Boathouse Foundation. In just over a decade, Mike has led Oklahoma City to the forefront of the national and international rowing and kayaking communities while also developing significant community interest and participation in the sports.

31. Richard Kelley Oklahoma City Fire Chief
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Oklahoma City Fire Chief Richard A. Kelley joined the Oklahoma City Fire Department in 1991 and was appointed Fire Chief in September 2017. He promoted through the ranks in suppression and also held the positions Special Operations Coordinator, Technical Rescue Station Officer, Ride-out Officer, Battalion Chief, Deputy Chief of Support Services and Deputy Chief of Operations. He is a Fire Instructor Level II, EMT, HazMat Technician, Rescue Technician, Dive Team Member and OK-TF1 Task Force Leader.

Chief Kelley was an adjunct instructor for Eastern Oklahoma County Vo-Tech Fire Training Academy mentoring and training students for over a decade. He is a member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC), the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), the Oklahoma Fire Chiefs Association (OFCA) and the Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association. Chief Kelley is the President of the Oklahoma State Fire Chiefs Board, he also serves on the Board for the YMCA of Greater OKC, Ex Officio Member and Conscience Committee of the Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum Board of Trustees and the OSU-OKC Fire Protection AAS and BT Degree Advisory Board.

Chief Kelley has been recognized for many awards throughout his career, Captain/Major of the year in 2005 and Major of Special Operations in the Work Section of the Year in 2006.

Chief Kelley has an A.A.S. in Municipal Fire Protection and a Bachelor of Technology in Emergency Responder Administration from Oklahoma State University. He has attended the National Fire Academy for multiple classes and completed the Oklahoma Executive Fire Officer Leadership Program in 2015 and Leadership OKC (Class 37) in 2018.

32. Hough Ear Institute Pam Timmons, Director of Development
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Hough Ear Institute (HEI) was established in the early 1980s under the Baptist Medical Center Foundation (now INTERGRIS Baptist Medical Center) to continue the pioneering work of Dr. Jack Van Dorn Hough.

Dr. Hough was an internationally respected otologist and ear surgeon who

invented micro-surgical procedures for restoring hearing to patients with a variety of ear-related issues and injuries. Many microsurgical instruments still in use today were invented by Dr. Hough to perform those procedures. He also had his hand in creating and developing several electromagnetic devices for bone conduction and inner ear deafness.

HEI was established as an independent, non-profit research organization in 1996 and developed close working relationships and engaged in research projects with both Oklahoma State University and the University of Oklahoma, including Oklahoma University Health Sciences Center, and Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation. These relationships helped foster HEI's new focus of therapeutic answers to hearing loss instead of devices.

Today, HEI honors Dr. Hough's innovative legacy by continuing his work to restore hearing worldwide through research, teaching, and humanitarian efforts so that all who have ears can hear.

33. Blessed Father Stanley Rother Shrine Rob Blakely

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Blessed Father Stanley Rother is the only US priest (or citizen) to ever be beatified by the Catholic Church. The Archdiocese of OKC is building a shrine and church in memory of our Saint and is traveling Oklahoma to share information about the Shrine.

34. Communities Foundation of Oklahoma Sidney Suttles

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We connect people with their passion to impact their community. We provide technical expertise so individuals and organizations can strengthen and enrich the places they call home.

Whether working with individuals, communities, businesses, or nonprofits, CFO customizes services to make the wisest investments to improve the well-being of your region. We provide you with personalized services and help identify the issues affecting your community and the organizations working to address them.

35. Democracy and the Fourth Estate: Why the Press is the only industry protected by the Constitution

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Oklahoma Watch Executive Director Ted Streuli takes a look at the evolution of the press and its role as a government watchdog, from its beginnings 250 years ago to the recent rise of nonprofit news. Is journalism dead? Not at all! The New

York Times surpassed 10 million paid subscribers in 2021, but only about 8% get a paper copy. And in Oklahoma, one of the largest print newsrooms is one you've probably never heard of. Ted's talk includes which Oklahomans played roles in Spiro Agnew's resignation and the Watergate scandal, and the Q&A is always entertaining.

36. Pike Off OTA Whitney Mullica, Vice President 405-550-5879
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Pike Off OTA is a grassroots organization that formed not only to prevent the development of two proposed turnpikes, the East-West Corridor and the South Extension, but to also re-establish control over our infrastructure, reinstitute fiscal responsibility, and reduce the overreach of the Oklahoma Turnpike Authority.

37. Possibilities, Inc. Byron Jackson 405-525-3131
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Strengthening the ability of people to work together for community change. Possibilities helps people gain skills to work for positive change by advancing the values of Trust, Dignity and Service, while understanding and addressing conflict that arises from our differences. We understand that the results of such conflict in our society are isolation, social anxiety, fear and mistrust. The power of connection and diverse relationships is the core of our organization. Our vision is to build synergy through diversity, cooperation and creativity. Connection is critical for us to flourish as humans.

38. Robin Gunn – Oklahoma Senior Journal 405-816-7889
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The Oklahoma Senior Journal's mission is to educate the community on the ever-changing needs of seniors and their families. We publish our publication to be a comprehensive resource for senior living, medical & health references and other businesses that cater to the 50-Plus population.

The Oklahoma Senior Journal is published twice a year and is locally distributed at no charge in the 405 area code and surrounding areas. We have a circulation of 45,000 per issue with a readership of at least 100,000. The Oklahoma Senior Journal is read over and over because of all its references.

The Oklahoma Senior Journal provides a complete user-friendly free guide full of services – over 5,000 helpful phone numbers, informative articles, medical care references, restaurants, coupons, money matters, financial services, entertainment and much more.

39. Buck\$ 4 Bikes - Salvation Army, D'Anna Pulliam 405-408-5457

Each Christmas, hundreds of families rely on The Salvation Army to help provide a merry Christmas for children in their households. One of the most common Christmas wishes is to receive a brand new bicycle. The Salvation Army of Central Oklahoma wants to fulfill as many Christmas wishes as possible by providing a new bicycle for as many children as we can. Since 2006, over 11,000 children have received a bike through the Buck\$ 4 Bikes program.

40. Jill Castilla – Citizens Bank of Edmond

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As President and CEO of Citizens Bank of Edmond, Jill Castilla is a nationally recognized innovator in the banking industry - or "no talk and all action" according to entrepreneur and *Shark Tank* star Mark Cuban. Under Jill's leadership, the one-branch community bank in an Oklahoma City suburb became a major player on the national stage and now sits alongside banking industry heavyweights.

Her background includes service in the U.S. Army and Oklahoma Army National Guard and various positions at the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City. A lifelong learner, Jill holds a master's degree in economics and a bachelor's degree in finance. She also attended post-graduate programs at the University of Wisconsin's Graduate School of Banking and The Wharton School.

Jill currently serves as the Civilian Aide to the Secretary of the Army. She was also appointed to the Federal Advisory Council, representing the Fed's Kansas City District.

Jill's visionary leadership earned her and the Citizens team an impressive collection of industry accolades including: one of the 25 Most Powerful Women in Banking (*American Banker*), Banker of the Year (*Cornerstone Advisor*), Most Innovative CEOs in Banking (*Bank Innovation*), Most Admired CEOs in Oklahoma (*Journal Record*), 100 Most Influential People in FinTech (*FinTech Weekly*), and Community Banker of the Year (*American Banker*) among others.

41. Whiz Kids Oklahoma

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Whiz Kids is working to reduce the opportunity gap for students through one-on-one mentorship and literacy support. We help students learn to read, so they can read to learn. For over 25 years, our program has focused on serving

the whole child: academically, emotionally, spiritually and physically. Whiz Kids is a faith-based, one-on-one volunteer tutoring and mentoring program that cares for students in kindergarten through 4th grade, by providing a space for them to be known, loved and nurtured, just as they are. Whiz Kids is caring for students who are reading below grade level, navigating inequitable systems and circumstances, and could benefit most from a mentor relationship with a compassionate adult. After one year in our program, Whiz Kids significantly reduce the opportunity gap caused by life's circumstances and score an average of 32 points higher than their peers on state-administered reading tests.

42. Wildcare Foundation

<https://www.wildcareoklahoma.org/> 405-872-9338

WildCare is a non-profit organization dedicated to wildlife rehabilitation located in Noble. WildCare was started in 1984 by Rondi Large, O.T. Sanders, and Dr. Nancy Harrington as a home-based wildlife rehabilitation facility, was incorporated as a nonprofit organization in 1995, and has now grown to become the largest wildlife rehabilitation center in Oklahoma and one of the largest in the U.S.

Since opening, over 112,000 wild animals have passed through WildCare's doors. Starting with just a few patients in 1984, WildCare now admits 7,500 patients representing over 240 different species annually thanks to thousands of willing rescuers and dedicated supporters.

43. Ronald McDonald House – Walk for Kids (in June)

Cooking Together (in May)

<https://rmhc-okc.org/walk-for-kids/>

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44. PAL (Police Athletics League) okcpal.org 405-632-2240

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The Oklahoma City Police Athletic League (OKC PAL) is a 501(c)(3) organization that exists, in partnership with the Oklahoma City Police Department, to serve students and schools in Oklahoma City.

What We Do - We provide athletic programs, leadership skills training, and service opportunities to the students and schools involved in our programs.

Where We Operate - Through an established partnership with the Oklahoma City Public School System (OKCPS), the majority of our programs happen at our local

schools. The PAL Center is located at 3816 S. Robinson Ave, OKC, OK 73109. When We Operate - We have four full time police officers running our programs in designated OKCPS schools during school hours. In addition to that, we have after-school mentoring and martial arts programs, as well as our middle school leagues, which take place after school and on weekends during their respective seasons.

Why We Exist - The Police Athletic League came to life in New York City in 1914 with a two-fold intention: to create a safe place for kids to play and to better the relationship between police officers and youth. The OKC PAL program exists in support of that same mission. We aim to drive change by providing positive opportunities for our youth and their future. We are all about Cops Helping Kids Succeed!

45. Alfonso Nieves – Fox Blocks True Grid

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Fox Blocks walls are double-insulated, steel-reinforced concrete walls that are ready for your exterior and interior finishes and will provide peace of mind as they enable you to meet tomorrow's building codes and design styles today.

Bring on the extreme weather: with Fox Blocks, resilient construction stands up against the elements. These walls also help you meet your net-zero goals, bringing lifetime energy savings.

We don't just work toward improving our own products and services: we want the entire building industry to improve. Involvement in and leadership of critical organizations and committees ensures we are at the forefront of providing high-quality benefits for all project stakeholders.

46. Paul Webb – President – Century Martial Arts

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Founded by a martial artist, **CENTURY** started in a one car garage in Oklahoma City. Today we are a company of martial artists with 250 team members, many of whom participate in daily on-site classes that include karate, tae kwon do, Brazilian jiu-jitsu, kung fu san soo, jeet kune do, Cage Fitness, and even yoga. We use the products that we make and sell. We strive every day to live the core values that martial arts teaches including humility, respect, courage, and doing the right thing.

47. Clark Ingram - People Profits - The Experts in Solving Employee Turnover

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Eliminating employee turnover, creating stability. Do you know of any organizations which are having problems with employee turnover, inability to recruit great employees or a lack of relevant skills?

I have a presentation which has proven to be engaging and impactful with a focus on educating not selling.

Organizations have worked on the three above issues for decades without success. However, the aftermath of COVID requires a new sense of urgency. Organizations have never dealt with the level of job hopping, lack of applicants and desire to be completely remote in the past. Many organizations do not know where to begin to identify and resolve their particular issues.

My 33 years of executive level experience has proven these issues are indeed solvable. My presentation discusses five issues and the solutions which I have seen work. The final result is a mindset to proactively manage your workforce and springboard to amazing organizational growth!! Recently I had a member of a business group tell me that everyone has a personal example for each of the five issues.

48. Roger Godwin – OUTSIDE the BOX

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Roger Godwin is a Real Estate Investor, International Speaker, Serial Entrepreneur, Business and Motivation Coach, and Founder of OUTSIDE the BOX, a group of entrepreneurs that strongly believe in continuous learning and building key relationships as part of individual and professional accomplishment.

Feeling some latent effects of the housing crisis of 2008-09, Roger and his family experienced one of the most challenging years they had ever faced in 2012.

Almost \$1 million in debt and on the brink of losing his family, Roger had a real come-to-Jesus moment about the trajectory that he and his family would take, and he made the difficult decision to shut down his company of 15 years. Armed with a 21-year background in construction, going into the real estate world full-time was a natural progression for Roger. Real Estate was the saving grace for him and his family, and his success story is still being written.

Since 2018, Roger has done over 150 transactions with buy-and-holds, fix-and-flips, and wholesaling of single units and packages, both nationally and internationally.

Roger also takes his passions of real estate investing and helping others into other parts of the world. Since 2019, he has traveled to west, east, and south African countries to share his knowledge of creating businesses that have deep meaning. Roger teaches that to be an entrepreneur you have to have a much bigger WHY than just the mere desire to acquire MONEY. Yearning for money is never a good enough reason to do what we do as Real Estate Investors or as Entrepreneurs.

Having built two multi-million dollar organizations and currently building a third, Roger generously shares his secrets of success to those willing to listen and apply the lessons of his experiences. The real question is, what is your WHY for being in real estate investing or for being an entrepreneur?

49. Courtney Keck – OSU Extension Educator – Master Gardener Program

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The Oklahoma Master Gardener program has become a popular volunteer activity that gives its participants a sense of community spirit, accomplishment and intellectual stimulation through collaboration, service and stewardship. It is as much about giving people the chance to grow as it is about growing plants and enhancing local landscapes.

Participants in this OSU Extension program undergo in-depth classroom training coordinated by local Extension staff with the assistance of state specialists. After their training is completed, the participants engage with Oklahoma gardening enthusiasts in activities and services coordinated through local OSU Extension offices and centers.

50. Richard Mize – Senior Business Writer at Daily Oklahoman

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Richard Mize has covered housing, commercial real estate, construction, development, finance and related business since 1999. He was The Oklahoman's Real Estate editor, curating and editing the newspaper's Real Estate section, for 22 years, until September, 2021. From 1989 to 1999, he worked for the Times Record News in Wichita Falls, Texas, as a crime reporter, then general assignment reporter, farm-ranch-agribusiness editor, regional editor and city editor. Mize grew up on a farm and cow-calf ranch in Sequoyah County, Oklahoma, and attended Muldrow Public Schools. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism (news-editorial), and a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science (state and local government) with a minor in Economics, from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater. He also holds a Master of Arts degree in History from the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, and a Master of Divinity degree from Phillips Theological Seminary in Tulsa. He also is an ordained minister in the Kansas-Oklahoma Conference of the United Church of Christ, and, as a Temporary Member of the Indian Nations Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church (USA), serves part-time as pastor of Trinity Presbyterian Church.

51. Oklahoma Blood Institute – David Crawford

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Oklahoma Blood Institute is the sixth-largest non-profit blood collector in the nation, providing more than 90% of the state's blood to over 160 hospitals, medical facilities and air ambulances statewide.

As medicine and the needs of patients evolve, so do we. We advance the science of blood banking by conducting research, developing innovative technology solutions and connecting potential research subjects with studies available in their area.

52. Latino Community Development Agency

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Our mission is to improve the quality of life in the Latino community through education, leadership, services and advocacy.

53. David D. Morgan 405-818-7103 daviddmorgan@cox.net

Author speaking about his Great-Grandfather, Dick Thompson Morgan. Dick was a pioneer attorney in Oklahoma Territory and later served six terms in the U.S. Congress.

Dick T. Morgan was a pioneer homestead and land attorney in early Oklahoma Territory. After Statehood, he served Oklahoma for six terms in the U.S. Congress. He was the first full-term Congressman from the original Second District, which included Oklahoma City. Later, he would become the first Congressman from the newly established Eighth District, which covered most of northwest Oklahoma, including the Panhandle. His successes were achieved by hard work, natural leadership skills, and a passion for his convictions and beliefs.

54. Max Wilson – Mobility Worldwide

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Mobility Worldwide is a faith-based, volunteer-powered, humanitarian, and world-wide organization. U.S. Affiliate Workshops and Mobility Worldwide operate as tax-exempt 501(c)(3) under the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

Our goal is the Gift of Mobility for all of God's people in need. We will cooperate and share with anyone working toward that goal. We seek to involve lay persons in the Church as major servants in this mission. We want to work with all groups,

religious or secular and seek to provide mobility first for those in greatest need and with least resources.

Mobility Worldwide began in 1994 when Larry Hills, missionary in Zaire (now Congo), Africa, told Reverend Mel West of the great need for three-wheeled, hand-cranked wheelchairs for victims of polio and landmines. Mel contacted Earl Miner, product designer and long-time friend and mission partner, and the process of the prototype design began.

In 1995, When prototype development was ready for field testing, four were shipped to Larry Hills with the instructions to “put these in the worst place you can find, and see if they pass the test.” Larry did, and the Mobility Carts did.

Mobility Worldwide is not wed to just this particular model of machine. Besides raising funds for building Mobility vehicles, some affiliates collect other used mobility devices such as canes, foldable walkers, crutches, and wheelchairs. Even if they need minor repairs/replacement parts, we receive and send them on to one of our distribution partners, [Hope Haven International](#), in Iowa. They refurbish used mobility devices and distribute along with our Mobility Carts in over 100 countries to date.

55. Valir – All-Inclusive Senior Care

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Valir PACE is a Program of All Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), and is the future of healthcare. It utilizes a team-based care approach providing a personalized, comprehensive healthcare plan to the most at risk, those without access to quality healthcare, the under and uninsured. Individuals enrolled in our program have better health outcomes, less visits to the emergency room, while continuing to live in their own home, often times without ever having to go into a nursing home.

Transportation is provided to all of our participants to come into the [adult day center](#) for socialization, the medical clinic and [hot meals](#) during the week. We also arrange for [transportation to specialty doctor appointments](#), as needed.

Additionally, as field trips and off-site activities are identified and planned in the community, participants are transported to and from the PACE center.

The focus of every PACE organization is to help the elderly live in the community for as long as possible. To meet this goal, PACE organizations focus on preventive care. Although all people enrolled in PACE are eligible for [nursing home care](#), only seven percent live in nursing homes.

56. Savannah Station Therapeutic Riding Program

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Savannah Station Therapeutic Riding Program, Inc., a nonprofit therapeutic riding facility located in Yukon, Oklahoma, has been changing lives for people with disabilities since 2013. Savannah Station TRP serves a large population center as the only therapeutic riding program on the west side of the Oklahoma City metro.

Therapeutic riding is an equine-assisted activity designed for the purpose of contributing positively to the cognitive, physical, emotional and social well-being of people with disabilities. This valuable service is provided on a weekly basis at no cost to the participating families.

A beautiful 20-acre horse facility was recently purchased as the program's permanent home to accommodate continued growth. The four instructors are rigorously trained and certified by the Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International (PATH Intl). Savannah Station TRP is a PATH Intl. Member Center, working towards Premier Accreditation, the highest level of accreditation possible. Savannah Station TRP welcomes inquiries regarding all aspects of our program and operations. If you would like a tour of our facility, please contact us to set up an appointment.

57. Jackie Listen – The Road Trip from Survival to Legacy

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Jackie Listen grew up on a small farm in Jones, Oklahoma. He was a full-time entrepreneur for eleven years selling real estate, which allowed him to experience the downfall of the Oklahoma economy in the 1980s. His background in real estate sales led to him being hired by McClain County National Bank in June of 1992 to market their repossessed property. He was eventually promoted to vice-president with an emphasis on ag lending, which led to becoming a manager and senior vice-president of a branch the bank built for him in Noble, OK. In January of 2020, after a nearly 28-year banking career, he closed that chapter and officially “re-fired” back into the world of entrepreneurship.

Jackie is now coaching and mentoring others as a certified Ziglar “Choose to Win” and “See You at the Top” coach, focusing again on real estate; serves on McClain Bank’s Board of Directors; and is a published author. He lives on a ranch in Noble with his wife, Paula. They have two children, one son-in-law, and one grandson. Jackie is enjoying his new role as “Chief Encouragement Officer” and is passionate about helping people step into their purpose. You can reach him at jdlisten.com.

58. Oklahoma Coalition for Affordable Housing
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The Coalition brings together a strong combination of organizations, finance professionals, service providers, economic development authorities and individual advocates, to work closely with communities to turn good ideas into real housing solutions. We provide a single housing movement, empowering people to tell their policy makers that everyone should have the opportunity to live in a safe, affordable home.

59. Linda Clark 405-808-3121 linda@linda-clark.com

Principal and owner, Linda Clark has over two decades of experience in operational HR and leadership development. She is a Certified Master Coach (CMC) and Certified Dare to Lead Facilitator (CDTLF) making her one of the most sought-after coaches in the industry.

A gifted storyteller, Linda's humor and passion keep audiences engaged, even in virtual spaces. Her ability to intuitively help people show up in full-color – with courage and confidence – is the bedrock of her trademarked phrase, "Live Vibrant!" and why she's spoken at over 200 events in the last two years.

Linda Clark speaks to thousands of people each year including executives and senior leadership, teams in a variety of industries, and at industry conferences. Her charismatic and engaging presentations, punctuated with humor and storytelling, create a learner-centered environment ideal for authentic growth. Her two decades of experience in operational HR and leadership development qualify her to speak on a range of topics including:

- o Creating, nurturing, sustaining, and leading brave teams and performance champions
- o The art and competency of feedback that drives transformation and innovation
- o Thriving in dynamic environments of change
- o Performance, leadership, and organizational development
- o Celebrating the individual and creating cultures of cohesion, collaboration, and connection.

60. Oklahoma Water Resources Board

Lauren O'Donely 405-530-8807

The mission of the OWRB is to protect and enhance the quality of life for Oklahomans by managing and improving the state's water resources to ensure clean and reliable water supplies, a strong economy, and a safe and healthy environment.

Our primary responsibilities include water use appropriation and permitting, water monitoring, financial assistance for water/wastewater systems, dam safety,

floodplain management, water supply planning, technical studies and research, and water resource mapping.

61. OG&E Weatherization Program

Toney Cooper 405-553-3256

In Oklahoma, the program is offered at no additional cost to all residential customers who own or lease a single-family, duplex, or mobile home and have a household income of less than \$60,000 a year.

Our trained crews have improved the homes of more than 50,000 customers.

Improvements may include adding attic insulation, sealing air leakage around windows and doors, duct sealing and installing energy-saving light bulbs.

Weatherization services are available to rental properties if an eligible customer lives in the home and has approval from the property owner.

62. Rebuilding Together OKC <https://rebuildingtogetherokc.org>

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Since 1992, Rebuilding Together OKC has provided critical repairs to over 3,500 homes, 40 nonprofit facilities, and 8 public buildings in the Oklahoma City metro area with the help of 80,000 volunteers. Our mission is responding to a crisis in our country – that of aging housing stock and the growing number of people who, because of age, disability, or lack of resources, live in dilapidated or inaccessible housing. What began as one workday in April has become a year-round mission to provide free repairs and rehabilitate the homes of low-income seniors in our community.

Home by home and block by block, Rebuilding Together OKC transforms lives through the year-round mobilization of volunteers fueled by a diverse group of local, corporate, and federal partnerships. In most cases, our work is not an extreme makeover but a focus on improvements that have the biggest impact and keep homeowners safe, warm and dry. Services available to eligible homeowners can include: accessibility ramps, grab bars, ADA compliant bathroom remodeling and fixtures, smoke alarms, roofing repairs, heating and air conditioning, plumbing, electrical, and weatherization. By leveraging our relationships with licensed professionals our capacity to provide larger, more holistic repairs has grown exponentially.

63. Allied Arts OKC Shannon Lockwood 405-274-7831

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Allied Arts helps ensure that a variety of local arts organizations have the tools and resources they need to remain strong and offer quality programming to the

public. Together these agencies touch the lives of more than one million people annually, including more than 462,000 arts experiences for school-age children in the last year.

Each year, Allied Arts conducts a community-wide campaign to raise critical funds for the nonprofit arts organizations it supports. All sectors of the community – including corporations, foundations, nonprofit organizations and individuals – contribute to the effort to advance the arts. These funds are then distributed to local arts organizations in support of their operating, programmatic and educational budgets. Allied Arts funding helps these organizations keep ticket prices low or offer free events so that more members of the community can experience the arts. Agencies also use campaign funds to provide innovative, hands-on arts education to schoolchildren across the state. We promote arts education, advocate on their behalf, and raise awareness of the impact of the arts in our schools, communities and state. We also provide fundraising, technical and organizational management support to help keep our member agencies in strong financial and operating standing.

OUR MISSION - Enriching Lives Through Advancement of the Arts

OUR VISION - To be the driving force for the arts in Oklahoma's dynamic growth.

64. Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club

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The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club in Central Oklahoma offers young people a place to succeed academically, develop and grow good character and leadership skills, engage in healthy lifestyle activities, and find a spiritual foundation. At the Club, kids find the love and acceptance they need to have great futures!

65. TEEM – The Education and Employment Ministry

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The Education and Employment Ministry, also known as TEEM, is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to breaking cycles of incarceration and poverty through education, personal development and work readiness training.

TEEM takes a three-pronged approach to breaking cycles of incarceration and poverty in Oklahoma by providing individuals with education, social services, and job training and placement. We holistically prepare our participants for employment by incorporating mentorship, life skills training and confidence building into our program. By giving a hand up, we help our participants refine their skills and achieve their goals.

66. Kevin Richardson – Seniors Helping Seniors

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Seniors Helping Seniors® in-home care services brighten the lives of seniors who can benefit from a helping hand and a friendly smile. Our caregivers, who are seniors themselves, make your life easier by providing compassionate care in the comfort of your home.

Our affordable in-home senior care services empower seniors to continue to live independent lives by taking care of day-to-day tasks that become more challenging as they age. As your health and personal requirements change, we're here to assist in the ways you find most helpful.

67. Ministry House – Lead With Love

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Uplink Ministries, a 501c3 Non-Profit, opened our first women's transitional house in 2019, Lead with Love. Our Heart: to provide a safe haven for ladies being released from prison or drug rehabilitation programs so they can heal and rebuild their lives.

68. Toby Keith Foundation 405-271-5662

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The mission of **The Toby Keith Foundation** is to encourage the health and happiness of pediatric cancer patients and to support OK Kids Korral.

The Toby Keith Foundation has been helping children with cancer since 2006 and has streamlined its efforts around no-cost housing for children with cancer. In 2014, the foundation opened OK Kids Korral, a cost-free, convenient and comfortable home for pediatric cancer patients receiving treatment at The Children's Hospital at OU Medical Center, Stephenson Cancer Center and other nearby facilities.

There is no greater gift than keeping families strong and together during a difficult time. If we can alleviate stress on a family, encourage a brother or sister and comfort a sick child, then we will make a difference in the fight against cancer.

Getting the right care sometimes means cancer patients must travel away from home, often to a cancer treatment facility in another city. This puts a financial and emotional toll on the families, not to mention the physical toll it takes on their child. OK Kids Korral helps make life a little easier for children with cancer by providing a safe, convenient, and hopeful place for families to connect with each other and focus on the well-being of their child. OK Kids Korral provides daytime and overnight lodging for pediatric patients and their families. The state

of the art facilities at OK Kids Korral are designed to create a relaxing haven for the entire family.

69. Feed The Children, Pamela Wilson

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Established over 40 years ago, Feed the Children is one of the leading anti-hunger organizations.

We dare to envision a world where no child goes to bed hungry. To help create that world, we are dedicated to helping families and communities achieve stable lives and to reducing the need for help tomorrow—all while providing food and assistance to help them today.

In the United States we distribute product donations of food and other items from corporate donors through our network of local community partners, we provide classroom support and school supplies to students in vulnerable areas, and we mobilize resources quickly to aid recovery efforts when natural disasters strike.

70. Harvey Pratt Forensic Artist

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Considered one of the leading forensic artists in the United States, Harvey has spent over 50 years in law enforcement, completing thousands of witness description drawings and hundreds of soft tissue reconstructions. Harvey is a Cheyenne and Arapaho tribal member and is recognized as an accomplished master Native American Indian artist. He has won numerous awards and was named the Red Earth 2005 Honored One. He is a self taught, multi-talented artist involved in many media; oil, acrylic, watercolor, metal, clay and wood. Harvey's work has assisted in thousands of arrests and hundreds of identification of unidentified human remains throughout America. Retired as the police forensic artist for the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation (OSBI), Harvey still responds to agencies that request his assistance.

Harvey began his career with the Midwest City Police Department in 1965 where he did his first witness description drawing a year later. This first attempt in forensic arts resulted in an arrest and conviction. He joined the OSBI in 1972 as a narcotics investigator and retired in 1992 as an Assistant Director. His expertise in witness description drawing, skull reconstruction, skull tracing, age progression, soft tissue postmortem drawing and restoration of photographs and videos have aided law enforcement agencies both nationally and internationally. Harvey's skills have assisted law enforcement in many high profile cases.

Harvey also aides investigations though training classes, besides lecturing before universities, colleges, schools and civic groups.

71. Cavett Kids Foundation Ashley Simpson, Executive Director
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What started as a dream by founder, Danny Cavett, evolved into seven camps serving over 400 children with various chronic and life-threatening illnesses. Each year, a difference is made in the lives of over 20,000 children by our annual camps, programs and events- all of which are offered completely FREE of charge. Cavett Kids offers FREE camps and year-round programs for children with life-threatening and chronic illnesses. These camps and events provide kids a safe place to have fun, learn coping skills, build character and an opportunity to connect with other kids like them in an exciting and encouraging atmosphere.

72. Medieval Faire of Norman, Ann Marie Eckart
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Step back in time for a day of revels at the Medieval Fair. Enjoy mirth and merriment with kings, queens, knights and fools as the kingdom comes alive. Held annually since 1977, this living history fair features educational exhibits, arts, crafts, food, games, demonstrations and ongoing entertainment at seven stages.

Entertainment for the whole family includes minstrels, dancing, theater and reenactments, jugglers, knights jousting on horseback and human chess games. Brightly costumed characters include King Arthur, mermaids, and the fair's royal court of King Edward III.

Browse through the medieval village of over 200 art and craft booths offering unique and handcrafted wares. Offerings include pottery, wood crafts, stained glass, armor, costumes, fairy wings, jewelry, leather crafts, hair garlands, and much more. Watch master crafters demonstrating their skills.

The Medieval Fair of Norman is the state's largest weekend event and the third largest event in Oklahoma, and was selected by Events Media Network as one of the top 100 events in the nation. It is made possible, in part, by the Norman Arts Council Hotel Tax Grant Program and the City of Norman.

73. Villages OKC – A Plan, Not A Place, Marilyn Olson
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VillagesOKC is a nonprofit that connects adults ages 55+ in the greater Oklahoma City metro area to valuable resources that empower them to remain independent

and age gracefully.

Following a nationally successful model, VillagesOKC consists of virtual neighborhoods of volunteers that share vital connections, education and programming with its members heightening their quality of life.

74. Shelter Box shelterboxusa.org
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Right now, more than 113 million people around the world have been made homeless by disaster and conflict. We're working to change this.
By providing emergency shelter and tools for families robbed of their homes by disaster, we're transforming despair into hope.
ShelterBox is a team of people who believe in shelter as a human right – that shelter from the chaos of disaster and conflict is vital. We provide the tools that enable people to rebuild homes and transform their lives.
75. Urban Agrarian, Matthew Burch
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Urban Agrarian is Oklahoma City's most convenient source for local food and healthy grocery options. We have two locations, each open 7 days/week, year-round. We specialize in sourcing local food from Oklahoma farms and operating small-scale grocery stores in developing urban communities.
We are a mission-driven company. We were founded in 2008 to support Oklahoma's small farms by providing them with additional markets for their products. To-date we've spent more than \$3 million with more than 140 Oklahoma farmers and food producers.
Urban Agrarian is a grocery store, but we're also a lot more than a grocery store. We provide critical infrastructure and market access for Oklahoma farmers, and our stores are an anchor in the urban communities where they exist. So far our locations have helped revitalize OKC's Historic Farmer's Market District and Edmond's downtown, and we're excited to explore new projects that will help us expand local food access.
76. Oklahoma City Community College – Students Connecting with Mentors for Success (SCMS) Bryon Dickens 405-682-1611 x 7753
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The Students Connecting with Mentors for Success (SCMS) program is designed to partner mentors with students who are seeking assistance in one or more areas. Mentors have life lessons to share and meaningful experiences to convey. The purpose of the mentor/mentee relationship is to enable the mentor to

provide support, guidance, and insight into matters as expressed by the mentee. Mentoring is generally for personal and/or professional development and is often founded on commonalities between the mentor and mentee.

77. Kendra Orcutt, Home Mods by Therapist 405-664-1231

Kendra Orcutt is an occupational therapist whose professional career has specialized in providing home modification, aging in place education, patient advocacy, creative problem solving and therapy services. She has played critical roles in organizing the delivery of therapy services in a series of different environments ranging from major hospitals, nursing homes, therapy organizations and finally in-home care settings. Kendra is the owner of Home Mods.

78. A Chance To Change, Candice Hillenbrand 405-840-9000

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Addiction and mental illness are painful diseases that affect the entire family. Alcoholism, drug addiction, and gambling addiction can destroy the addict's health, family, and livelihood. However, we know there is hope for recovery. We've been serving families in Oklahoma City for more than 40 years and we're ready to help your family, too. Family involvement in treatment aids in healing family relationships; it also provides the support needed to improve chances of successful recovery.

Addiction can cast a wide net of pain and confusion. Families and others in a relationship with those suffering are particularly at risk and often feel lonely, frustrated or distraught. We offer services for individuals of all ages who want to have healthier relationships and happier, more satisfying lives.

79. Hilltop Clinic, Dr. Reid Hebert contact: Clarissa Watkins

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CCHC Clinic has been serving our community since January of 2015 with weekly free clinics and in November 2020, we opened Hilltop Clinic, our full-time pediatric clinic for uninsured and under-insured children. Hilltop Clinic serves the health and well-being of each and every person, regardless of their socioeconomic status, immigration status, race, religion, or any other factor. No insurance needed! Our pediatric clinic is FREE and provides regular checkups as well as sick visits. The pediatric clinic is open Monday - Friday from 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. [\(405\) 724-7482](tel:4057247482)

Adult clinic is held on the 4th Tuesday evening of every month. Please help us meet the medical needs of many in our community that are unserved or

underserved by our health care system.

80. Natalie Shirley, National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum
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The National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City is America's premier institution of Western history, art and culture. Founded in 1955, the Museum collects, preserves and exhibits an internationally renowned collection of Western art and artifacts while sponsoring dynamic educational programs to promote interest in the enduring legacy of the American West.

81. Oklahoma History Center

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The Oklahoma History Center is an eighteen-acre, 215,000 square-foot learning center exploring Oklahoma's unique history of Native culture, pioneers, aviation, commerce, and more. The Oklahoma History Center is a Smithsonian Affiliate and is accredited by the American Alliance of Museums.

82. First Americans Museum <https://famok.org/> 405-594-2100

In one place, visitors experience the collective histories of 39 distinctive First American Nations in Oklahoma today. First Americans Museum shares the cultural diversity, history, and contributions of the First Americans.

Our Mission - To serve as a dynamic center promoting awareness and educating the broader public about the unique cultures, diversity, history, contributions, and resilience of the First American Nations in Oklahoma today.

83. Ellyn Hefner, Daily Living Center

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Daily Living Centers is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit. We are the oldest and largest adult day health care organization in Oklahoma, with four locations spread throughout the Oklahoma City metro area.

Daily Living Centers is the affordable, non-residential facility that support the health, nutritional and social needs of seniors and adults with disabilities ages 18 year-old and up. We provide an alternative to assisted living centers and nursing homes in a professionally staffed, group setting. DLC has three centers with locations in Bethany, Edmond, and South Oklahoma City.

Daily Living Centers is more than an adult day care center. We offer comprehensive services and interactive activities led by skilled professionals.

Because of the impact that quality, adult day health care has on both caretakers

and participants, we strive to provide caregiver respite, health services, healthy meals, socialization, activities, exercise, and transportation services.

84. Chad Detwiler, Disaster ROAD disasterroad.org

Recovering Oklahomans After Disaster

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In May 2013 a disaster occurred producing tornado damage unlike any that had been seen in Oklahoma to that point. The media attention attracted many donations and fundraising events generating millions of dollars for disaster agencies.

Due to the size of the geographic area impacted and the funding resources available a collaborative effort among many disaster organizations was put in place called the “Oklahoma Disaster Recovery Project”. For this, the Oklahoma United Methodist Disaster Response ministry was formed and staffed. The focus for this ministry was recruiting volunteers, managing the projects, and completing home repairs using volunteer labor and donated materials. The recovery project from the May 2013 disaster was completed in July 2015 following the states worst flooding disaster impacting 66 of the states 77 counties. More grant dollars became available allowing the Oklahoma United Methodist Disaster Response ministry to continue providing recovery efforts through the 2016, 2017, and 2018 disasters as well. On September 10, 2018 the staff was informed their last day would be October 31 due to shortages in funding. The remaining staff of Chad Detwiler, Kevin Walker, and Hal Wright created a new 501(c)3 nonprofit organization called Recovering Oklahomans After Disaster Inc. in order to continue this needed and beneficial service for the long term.

85. Oklahoma Career Tech <https://oklahoma.gov/careertech.html>

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The Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education provides leadership and resources and assures standards of excellence for a comprehensive statewide system of career and technology education. The system offers programs and services in 29 technology center districts operating on 59 campuses, 394 PK-12 school districts, 13 Skills Centers campuses that include three juvenile facilities and 31 Adult Basic Education service providers. Each technology center works closely with advisers from local industries to ensure students learn the skills needed to be valued members of the workforce. Annually, enrollments in CareerTech classes are more than 426,000. CareerTech

provides nationally recognized competency-based curriculum, education and training for a myriad of specialized and customized courses and training opportunities. This curriculum is developed with the input of industry professionals, using skills standards to identify the knowledge and abilities needed to master an occupation.

86. Guthrie Job Corps Center

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Job Corps is the largest nationwide residential career training program in the country and has been operating for more than 50 years. The program helps eligible young people ages 16 through 24 complete their high school education, trains them for meaningful careers, and assists them with obtaining employment. Job Corps has trained and educated over two million individuals since 1964. At Job Corps, students have access to room and board while they learn skills in specific training areas for up to three years. In addition to helping students complete their education, obtain career technical skills and gain employment, Job Corps also provides transitional support services, such as help finding employment, housing, child care, and transportation. Job Corps graduates either enter the workforce or an apprenticeship, go on to higher education, or join the military.

87. Green Homes, Build My Future, and Construction Camp

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The mission of Build My Future OKC - "To encourage the youth in Central Oklahoma by inspiring them to pursue professional careers in skilled trades, and raise awareness of the home building industry."

Build My Future OKC is a one-day Construction Career day for high school students across the Oklahoma City area. Interactive, hands-on exhibits from organizations in the skilled trades and the building industry will provide students opportunities to experience what their future could be. Participating schools send students for approximately five hours of activities provided by industry partners. Student activities include educational displays, equipment operations, and learning experience.

88. Habitat for Humanity of Central OK 405-232-4828

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We promote decent, affordable housing for all, and we support the global

community's commitment to housing as a basic human right. We will advocate for just and fair housing policy to eliminate the constraints that contribute to poverty housing. And, in all of our work, we will seek to put shelter on hearts and minds in such powerful ways that poverty housing becomes socially, politically and religiously unacceptable.

89. Positive Tomorrows 405-556-5082 McKalyn Danner

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As Oklahoma's only elementary school and social services agency specifically for children and families experiencing homelessness, we give kids stability and a quality education while giving their parents the support they need to create a better life. Since 1989, we have filled our scrapbooks with countless success stories, but the need continues. Together we can break the cycle of homelessness and poverty.

90. Positively Paseo Sheryl Lovelady 405-630-7333

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The Oklahoma City Housing Services Redevelopment Corporation (dba: Positively Paseo) is a 501(c)3 non-profit community housing development organization, working in partnership with the City of Oklahoma City to revitalize neighborhoods in Oklahoma City's urban core.

Our mission is to revitalize urban OKC neighborhoods and create affordable housing opportunities by rehabilitating historic homes, new home construction, and increasing community investment through home ownership.

Since 1989, we have been working to restore and revitalize neighborhoods. We partner with neighborhood residents, local stakeholders, and the City of Oklahoma City to construct new, high-quality homes on vacant residential lots. The homes are then sold to owner-occupants, leading to increased stabilization in the neighborhoods in which we work.

91. Garland McWatters - Director of Leadership Programming

NextGen Under 30 Oklahoma recognition and leadership project

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NextGen Oklahoma Leaders NextGen Under 30 Oklahoma annually identifies and recognizes between 250-300 young adults in their twenties representing more than 20 career categories and from all regions of the state for their outstanding contributions to their organizations and communities. The intent is to encourage young talent to stay in Oklahoma by recognizing their contributions and potential. Garland speaks to the nomination and selection process and shares

examples of the contributions honorees are making now. He often features them on his Spirit of Leading podcast.

92. Conni Eckstein - Comedy - PDG

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Invite Conni Eckstein too bring her exciting comedy program to your Rotary club! Discover the diverse world of comedy, from stand-up to improvisation, and gain insights into Conni's personal journey in the industry. Whether you're a comedy aficionado or a curious newcomer, this program promises to entertain and inspire. Don't miss the chance to laugh and learn with Conni! Get ready for an engaging experience that will leave you in stitches!

**93. Harriet Campbell - Rotary Club Otumoetai Member, District 9930
& Jason Zan (an Oklahoma resident)**

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We have been volunteering in Ukraine since 2022. Last year, we decided to create our own project to bring hot food to frontline villages. From August to November, we served 2,000 meals to villages, hospitals, and children's centers. Our base was an abandoned apartment in the city of Kharkiv, only 50 km from the Russian border. From there, we cooked huge quantities of soups, stews, and curries. Every night, Kharkiv was bombed. Each morning, as we would go to buy supplies, we would see more of the city had been turned to rubble.

My background is in cooking, and giving others good food and a moment of togetherness is something I love to do. It was all the more special to be able to do this in a country that has come to mean so much to me.

Jason and I have been asked to return to Ukraine and continue our project by multiple Ukrainian organizations that saw value in what we were doing. We are now planning our return in June of this year.

I am visiting Jason in March 2025, and we are doing a few speaking engagements to not only raise funds but also to remind others of the suffering ordinary Ukrainians are experiencing. I know the time frame is very short, but I was curious if there were any clubs that would be interested in hearing our story.

A national news channel's story about our mission

[-https://www.facebook.com/sevensharp/videos/1888871478239417/?app=fbl](https://www.facebook.com/sevensharp/videos/1888871478239417/?app=fbl)

One of the articles written about me and my work

[-https://www.nzherald.co.nz/bay-of-plenty-times/news/why-tauranga-baker-is-fundraising-to-set-up-a-mobile-kitchen-in-ukraine/FIZ23ACFXREL5IZN4JEPH6TKAY/](https://www.nzherald.co.nz/bay-of-plenty-times/news/why-tauranga-baker-is-fundraising-to-set-up-a-mobile-kitchen-in-ukraine/FIZ23ACFXREL5IZN4JEPH6TKAY/)

Our project's Facebook page

-<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61558836813511>