

# STATE NEWS WEEKLY SUMMARY CONTINUED

Ardmore, Bartlesville (also serving Dewey), Chickasha, (also serving Ninnekah, Amber, Alex, Tuttle, Verden, Rush Springs), Clinton (also serving Weatherford, Concho and Arapaho), Coweta, Durant, El Reno, Enid, Fairview, Frederick, Hugo, Jay (also serving Grove), Lawton, Lindsay, Mangum, McAlester, Miami (also serving Afton), Muskogee, Okmulgee (also serving Henryetta), Perry, Ponca City (also serving Newkirk), Poteau, Pryor, Seminole (also serving Wewoka), Stigler (also serving Keota, McCurtain and Quinton), Stroud, Vinita (also serving Welch), Wilburton and Woodward. For more information, please contact Beth Rodriguez at (405) 841-5148.

—OKLA. DEPT. OF COMMERCE  
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## TRANSPORTATION

### CONTINENTAL AIRLINES ADDS ADDITIONAL JET SERVICE FROM OKLAHOMA CITY AND TULSA

■(GIT) Nene Foxhall, vice president of Continental Airlines, announced Tuesday an additional early morning jet departure from Oklahoma City and Tulsa to their hub site located in Houston. "We want to emphasize that Oklahomans' business needs are important to us," she said. Earlier this year, other airlines such as Delta, TWA and Southwest expanded their services to accommodate travelers.

The first flight is scheduled to leave Oklahoma City at 6:25 a.m. starting June 7. The airline will also implement a second flight leaving at the same time out of Tulsa. Currently, the earliest flight out of Oklahoma City leaves at 8:55 a.m., and the earliest flight out of Tulsa leaves at 7:35 a.m. The Houston hub provides connections to the West Coast, Texas, Mexico and the Southeast.

Keating endorsed the new service. "Oklahomans will have the opportunity to fly to the coast without having to go through the Dallas-Ft. Worth Airport (DFW)."

Secretary of Commerce, Ron Rosenfeld, also announced that the State Department of Commerce, the Greater Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce and Will Rogers World Airport have collected flight information into a guide for Oklahomans. It includes the top 60 markets, and will be distributed through Will Rogers World Airport, major

employers and travel agents. For additional information on obtaining a copy, call Cynthia Reid at (405) 297-8942.

—MARTA MCCLOSKEY  
04/30/96

## WILDLIFE

### IMPORTANCE OF NATURAL RESOURCES OBSERVED

■(OKLAHOMA CITY) "Harmony: People and Places," the theme of the 1996 Soil and Water Stewardship Week observance, is reflective of a classic definition of conservation given by Aldo Leopold, an early American conservation leader. He said, "Conservation is a state of harmony between men and land."

To point out the need for greater harmony between people and the place in which they live, Oklahoma's Conservation Districts are encouraging interested individuals and organizations to join with the Oklahoma Association of Conservation Districts in celebrating the annual Soil and Water Stewardship observance, April 28 - May 5, 1996.

To emphasize this point, Gov. Frank Keating has proclaimed April 28 through May 5, 1996 as Soil and Water Stewardship Week in Oklahoma.

Conservation districts, which work throughout the year to encourage soil and water conservation practices, are providing literature and information assistance to local churches, civic organizations and schools interested in furthering good soil and water conservation practices in their communities.

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### BRYON HATCHERY OPEN TO WILDLIFE VIEWERS

■(OKLAHOMA CITY) Visitors to Bryon Hatchery Watchable Wildlife Area (WWA), the newest wildlife observation area in the state, have observed around 50 wildlife species in the past few weeks, according to Steve Spade, hatchery manager for the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation.

"Uncommon species seen include checkered garter snakes, bluewinged teal, blue-gray gnatcatcher, pelicans and tiger swallowtail butterflies, as well as many other species of songbirds, waterfowl, mammals, amphibians and wildflowers," Spade said. "Byron WWA includes a 1/2 mile self-

guided trail through a cat-tail marsh, forested swamp and restored mid-grass prairie.

"The trail contains informational signs, observation blinds and piers to get visitors closer to wildlife. Other features designed to attract wildlife include bat houses, kestrel houses, a barn owl nest house and a blue-bird trail."

The WWA is open for self-guided tours daily sunlight hours; weekday visitors also can tour the fish hatchery from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bryon Hatchery is located north of Great Salt Plains Refuge. From the junction of Highways 38 and 11, go north two miles and turn west at the first intersection. For more information or to schedule tours, contact Spade at (405) 474-2663.

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*"One looks back with appreciation to the brilliant teachers, but with gratitude to those who touched our human feelings. The curriculum is so much necessary raw material, but warmth is a vital element for the growing plant and for the soul of the child."*

Carl Jung

