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## News-makers: Local accounting firm to merge with regional firm

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### Local accounting firm to merge with regional Regier Carr & Monroe

Tulsa-based Cross and Robinson, certified public accountants, will merge with Regier Carr & Monroe, LLP, a regional accounting firm with offices in Tulsa, McAlester and Wagoner, Oklahoma; Tucson, Arizona; and Wichita, Kansas, said Jim Ogez, partner in charge of RCM's Tulsa office.

The addition of the C&R practice has increased RCM's Tulsa office staff to 21 with five partners — Ogez, Brent Curry, Russell Robinson, Charles Tefertiller and Jimmy Williams. To accommodate the merger, RCM has relocated to the Richmond Plaza building, 4200 E. Skelly Drive, where RCM

has expanded the former C&R office.

C&R's talent and experience will enhance its emphasis towards providing online and outsourced accounting services as well as traditional corporate and individual tax planning, tax preparation, estate planning and audit services, Ogez said. Their expertise in more specialized areas will allow RCM to provide clients with a more diverse level of service.

### Vice president with SemGroup, Rose Rock Midstream to retire

SemGroup and Rose Rock Midstream announced that Peter L. Schwiering, 71, who has served as a SemGroup vice president since February 2012 and in a variety of other leadership roles with the company's crude oil division since 2000, will retire once a successor is in place.

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Schwiering will continue to serve in his current capacities until a successor is in place to ensure an orderly transition.

SemGroup will initiate a comprehensive search process to identify a successor. The company will consider both internal and external candidates, and Schwiering will work with the company to help identify his successor.

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## Sam Proctor to be inducted into Tulsa library's Circle of Honor

Tulsa City-County Library's American Indian Resource Center will induct Sam Proctor into the Circle of Honor during a special presentation at 10:30 a.m. March 5 at Hardesty Regional Library's Connor's Cove, 8316 E. 93rd St.

Proctor's award presentation begins the month-long celebration honoring the achievements and accomplishments of Native Americans. Award-winning and internationally acclaimed artist Dana Tiger, Muscogee (Creek), painted a portrait of Sam Proctor and will have prints for sale after his ceremony.

Proctor, Muscogee (Creek), was born south of Hanna in the Weogufkee community of Oklahoma, the heart of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, and is a lifelong Oklahoman. He is a descendant of Opethleyahola, one of the great Creek leaders.

Proctor has dedicated his life's mission to encouraging families to incorporate Muscogee (Creek) traditions in their daily routines. He believes that the language and traditions are vital to maintaining a way of life that promotes balance and harmony with family, friends and strangers.

## Rocha joins Schnake Turnbo

### Frank as associate for inclusion, diversity

Schnake Turnbo Frank announced Isaac Rocha, past TYPros chair and chair-elect of Mosaic, has joined the firm as an associate for inclusion and diversity, bringing to the firm years of corporate and community leadership and business and board management.

Rocha will consult clients in inclusion and diversity efforts, including organizational assessments, research, scoring and change implementation. He also currently works for The Bama Cos. as the community relations and development officer where he helps align the company's philanthropic giving, government affairs, inclusion initiatives and community impact.

Rocha serves on the boards of the national Multicultural Foodservice & Hospitality Alliance, Oklahoma State Chamber, Oklahoma Educated Workforce Initiative, Tulsa Regional Chamber and Workforce Tulsa and serves on the advisory board of the YWCA Tulsa. He also serves as an appointed commissioner to the Greater Tulsa Area Hispanic Affairs Commission.

## Arvest Bank recognized among best banks in U.S.

Arvest Bank was ranked No. 8 Consumer Reports' best banks in the country in its January issue, Arvest officials reported last week.

The magazine polled more than 49,000 of its readers to gauge their satisfaction level with their bank and Arvest received a score of 87, only four points behind top-ranked Frost Bank. Customer service was the primary attribute noted by Arvest customers leading to

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