



# Spotlight: Circus with free events, Tour de Cure and Tulsa Drillers

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Feel like clowning around this weekend?

Then you'll feel right at home at the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus.

Or, go on a bike ride for a good cause and take in a baseball game.

Here's what you need to know.

## Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey presents 'Legends'

Where: BOK Center, 200 S. Denver Ave.

When: 3 and 7 p.m. Saturday; 1:30 and 5:30 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets: \$20-\$70, available online at [bokcenter.com](http://bokcenter.com) or by calling 866-726-5287

Amazing performers from around the globe entertain the crowd with awe-inspiring feats and summon the mythical and mysterious creatures such as a unicorn, a



The Asian elephants are always one of the biggest stars of the show for Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, performing four shows this weekend at the BOK Center. COURTESY



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### Pegasus and a woolly mammoth.

Ticketholders are invited to a behind-the-scenes "All Access Pre-show" to learn juggling and balancing skills, meet the performers and get autographs, and take photos with them.

But Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus is also presenting two free events.

Reading and clowning fun at 10 a.m. Thursday at Hardesty Regional Library, 8316 E. 93rd St.: The circus' clowns present a special comedic demonstration while encouraging kids to read, performing at the library's Connor's Cove Children's Theater.

Popsicle party with elephants at 4 p.m. Friday at the BOK Center, on the grassy area beside the main ticket-office area: Watch Asian elephants tackle watermelons and frozen treats while visitors receive their own complimentary treats in ice pops provided by Blue Bell Creameries.

### Tour de Cure

Join more than 350 biking enthusiasts in helping to stamp out diabetes at the 2014 Tulsa Tour de Cure, the annual biking event sponsored by the American Diabetes Association.

Funds raised go to support research into diabetes prevention and treatment, as well as programs to educate and advocate about the disease that affects millions of Americans.

Four different ride distances are offered for bicyclists of all skill levels. You can take the 10-, 25-, 50- or 75-mile path, with all courses beginning and ending at Hillcrest Hospital South.

**Event details:** Rides start 7:30-10:30 a.m., depending on distance, from Hillcrest Hospital South, 8801 S. 101st East Ave.

**Sponsors:** Hillcrest Health Systems, Oklahoma Heart Institute, Bank of Oklahoma, C.W. Titus Foundation, Osage Casino

**Tickets:** \$200 fundraising minimum per individual. Register early on ride day or online at [tour.diabetes.org](http://tour.diabetes.org).

### Tulsa Drillers

The Tulsa Drillers are here for a week's worth of games at ONEOK Field, 201 N. Elgin Ave.

Remaining games include at 7:05 p.m. Thursday-Saturday and 2:05 p.m. Sunday.

For more: [tulsadrillers.com](http://tulsadrillers.com)



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Did you try jiggling the handle?

We'll have to wait to fix it until MarkWayne runs for Governor.

Hmmmm...Must be all my vetoes stopping things up!

Sell the water to Texas.

Ya know that 'rainy day fund'? We're Way past rain.

I don't know how but I am sure it was caused by Obamacare.

It's nothing a tax cut can't fix!!

Look on the bright side, Governor. You're standing on Barresi's shoulders.

We're gonna need a bigger plunger!

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### 'Angel' mourned



**Police investigation puts together pieces that led to arrest of two suspects in girl's slaying**

**By Jennifer W. Miller**

**E**ngel, the young girl who was slayed on the I-49 expressway last month, was mourned by her family and friends in a private funeral service on Monday.

The funeral was held at the home of the girl's mother, who is recovering from a serious injury sustained in the shooting. The girl's father and two brothers were also present at the service.

Police officials said the investigation into the slaying is still ongoing, but they believe they have identified the suspects. The girl's family is grateful for the police's efforts to bring justice to the tragedy.

### Funding for dams remains clogged

**By Steve Gandy**

**S**upport for the nation's dam infrastructure is still in limbo, with funding for the program stalled in Congress. The House has passed a bill to increase funding, but the Senate has yet to act on it.

The dam program is crucial for the nation's water supply and flood control. Without adequate funding, many dams are in need of repair or replacement.

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### Murderer fails in bid for dentures

**By Jennifer W. Miller**

**A** judge has denied a bid for dentures by a man who was convicted of murdering a woman. The man, who is currently in prison, had requested the dentures as part of a plea bargain.

The judge ruled that the man's request was not in the best interests of justice. The man's attorney argued that the dentures were necessary for the man's health and well-being while in prison.

### Common Core draws scorn of candidates

**By Steve Gandy**

**E**ven those who supported it in 2010, the Common Core State Standards are drawing scorn from candidates in the upcoming election. Many candidates are criticizing the standards as a federal overreach.

The standards have been a controversial issue in education circles. Some argue that they are a one-size-fits-all approach that does not take into account local needs and circumstances.

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