



# KOWETA CONNECTIONS

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## Donald P. Sloat Medal of Honor Donated to the City of Coweta

The family of United States Army Specialist Donald P. Sloat generously donated the Medal of Honor awarded to Sloat in 2014 to the City of Coweta. President Barack Obama awarded the Medal of Honor for Valor in Vietnam to Dr. Bill Sloat, the brother of the posthumous recipient, for Sloat's courageous efforts during the Vietnam War. The ceremony took place at the White House on September 15, 2014.

The Medal of Honor is the highest military honor given by the United States of America, awarded to individuals for acts of valor above and beyond the call of duty. On September 10, 2014, the City of Coweta hosted a public ceremony honoring Sloat by proclaiming September 15, 2014, as "Specialist Donald P. Sloat Medal of Honor Day" in Coweta.

Sloat, a Coweta resident, enlisted in the Army in 1969 and went on to serve in the Vietnam War. Assigned as an M60 Machine Gunner with



the 2nd Battalion, 1st Infantry Regiment, 196th Light Infantry Brigade, Americal Division, Sloat saved the lives of his squad members by shielding them from a grenade blast on January 17, 1970, just a month before his 21st birthday.

"It is a tremendous honor that Specialist Sloat's family would entrust the City of Coweta with preserving and maintaining something so valuable," says Coweta Mayor Robert Morton. "The City recognizes the obligation to safeguard this award in perpetuity."

The City held a public dedication ceremony on February 6, 2017 at 2 p.m. at Coweta First Baptist Church with great support from local organizations and individuals.

Coweta lost more men per capita in the Vietnam War than any other community in the entire United States, including Sloat, Phillip D. Sanders, Edgar R. Pulliam, Jimmy L. Campbell, Billy K. Carver, Frank E. Faught, Dallas S. Perryman and Grover W. Boston. Fourteen of the 37 boys in the Coweta High School Class of 1967 fought in the Vietnam War.

For more information on the Medal of Honor and Specialist Donald P. Sloat, visit the City of Coweta website.

## STAY CONNECTED

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Coweta, OK 74429

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### Coweta Police Department

212 N Broadway  
918-486-2121

Home burglaries increase this time of year, so we must be active neighbors by opening our curtains and watching our neighborhoods. If you observe suspicious activities like strangers walking around vehicles and looking in or approaching homes, ringing doorbells and looking in windows, it is your neighborly duty to call the police. Criminals thrive when we fail to pay attention and act on our gut feelings.

Also, surrounding communities have been experiencing individuals removing mail from the mailboxes. If you ever see anything out of the ordinary, please contact the Coweta Police Department. We would be happy to check things out. Have a great and safe spring season!

### Coweta Fire Department

214 N Broadway  
918-486-2121

Although spring is quickly approaching, many will continue to use a fireplace. We ask that everyone keep the area clean and properly dispose of ashes.

Also, there is a high threat of grass fires this season. By being responsible, we can work together to prevent fires from burning in our community.

### Coweta Public Works Authority

30151 E Highway 51  
918-486-8073

**Free Dump Day:** As part of the Oklahoma Department of Transportation's annual "Trash Off Day," the City of Coweta is proud to sponsor our annual Free Dump Day on **April 22nd, 2017**, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. This event will be held at the Wagoner County Fairgrounds, located at 30058 E 147th St. S. We hope everyone takes part in the opportunity to dispose of those old, broken or unwanted items. Anyone within city limits is eligible to take part and welcome to make multiple trips. The following items will not be accepted: hazardous waste, chemicals, lead-based paints, petroleum products, tires, batteries and construction debris. Any metal items need to be taken to the Coweta Public Works facility, located at 30151 E Hwy 51. Participants are responsible for unloading all of their items, however, staff will be present at both locations to provide assistance. This event is a great way for residents to help us keep our city beautiful.

### Coweta Public Library

120 E Sycamore  
918-486-6532

#### Adult Activities at the Library

#### March

Coffee & Conversation  
Tuesday, March 7, 14, 21 and 28  
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

The Artist's Alliance  
Tuesday, March 14th, 4 p.m.

Adult Coloring Club  
Tuesday, March 28th, 6 to 7 p.m.

#### April

Coffee & Conversation  
Tuesday, April 4, 11, 18 and 25  
9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

The Artist's Alliance  
Tuesday, April 11th, 4 p.m.

Adult Coloring Club  
Tuesday, April 25th, 6 to 7 p.m.

Adult Painting Class  
Thursday, April 27, 5 to 7 p.m.

#### Job Openings

Looking for a new job? Look no further than the City of Coweta! Search for open positions on the City of Coweta website at [www.cityofcoweta-ok.gov](http://www.cityofcoweta-ok.gov) or stop by City Hall!

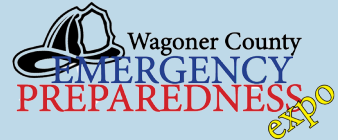


## KOMMUNITY CALENDAR

- March 6 - City Council/Trust Authority/CIDA Meeting
- March 12 - Spring Forward, Time Changes
- March 25 - Wagoner County Emergency Preparedness Expo
- April 3 - City Council/Trust Authority/CIDA Meeting
- April 14 - City Offices Closed for Good Friday
- April 22 - Coweta Free Dump Day



**Coweta Recycling Center**  
Friday - Monday: 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  
Tuesday - Thursday: 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



The 6th Annual Wagoner County Emergency Preparedness and Safety Expo will be held Saturday, March 25, 2017. This event grows every year, and if you have ever considered being a part of the largest preparedness expo in the state, this is the year! There are vendor spots open as well as sponsorship opportunities. For more information, visit [www.cowetachamber.com](http://www.cowetachamber.com).

**Coweta Animal Control**  
918-486-2137

Finding homes for lost pets!