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Welcome to another edition of **Today @ MidAmerica**, our eNewsletter featuring news articles about MidAmerica Industrial Park in Pryor Creek, Oklahoma. We hope you will enjoy these stories, which may be of value to you and your colleagues. Please feel free to pass **Today @ MidAmerica** on to others in your organization.

## Google Data Center in Oklahoma operational.



The Google Data Center in Oklahoma has met the milestones stated at a news conference nearly a year ago, and is set to celebrate its official opening. Located at MidAmerica Industrial Park in Pryor Creek, Oklahoma, the data center was originally announced in 2007 but by 2008 a downturn in the economy caused the company to delay opening the facility until a later date.

"By October 2010, demand had grown to the point where we needed to update the facility in Oklahoma to prepare to switch it on in 2011," said Mike Wooten, Operations Manager for the Google Oklahoma data center. "I'm happy to announce that the data center is now operational." [MORE](#)

## Bill Path named president at OSU Institute of Technology.

Oklahoma State University today named Bill R. Path, president of Northeast Community College in Nebraska, president of OSU Institute of Technology, pending approval of the OSU/A&M Board of Regents. He will assume his duties later this year.



Dr. Bill Path

"We are delighted to have Bill Path join the OSU leadership team," said OSU President Burns Hargis. "Under his guidance, Northeast Community College expanded facilities and curriculum, enhanced student services and strengthened community outreach. His experiences and leadership will help OSU Institute of Technology continue its important mission." [MORE](#)

## Cherokee Nation partners with Walmart.

The Cherokee Nation has entered into a partnership with Wal-Mart Stores Inc. to handle redistribution of returned televisions.

The partnership will add 10 to 12 jobs to the 143,000-square-foot distribution center that Cherokee Nation Businesses has opened at MidAmerica Industrial Park in Pryor. The new jobs are in addition to the 32 announced earlier and Cherokee Nation officials said they anticipate adding more. [MORE](#)

## GRDA installs new water quality monitoring equipment on Grand & Hudson.

Gathering data, sharing data with other resource agencies, and utilizing that data to address water quality issues in the Grand River system.

Since its inception in 2004, those have all been top priorities of the Grand River Dam Authority Ecosystems Management Department. That effort took a major step forward in early 2010 when GRDA opened the doors on its state-of-the-art water quality laboratory at the Ecosystems and Education Center in Langley. Recently, with the addition of some high-tech electronic monitoring equipment, GRDA is again moving forward with its commitment to water quality issues in the Grand River system. [MORE](#)



A technician performs a water sampling test at the GRDA Ecosystems lab.

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