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deputies for the March 22 operation.

The recent compliance checks showed a 12% overall violation rate, something Canadian County Sheriff Randall Edwards believes is much too high.

"My commitment to preventing the illegal sale of alcohol to minors will continue as long as businesses put profits before the safety of our young people," Sheriff Edwards said. "In fact, I'll continue to focus my efforts on the non-compliant stores, and arrest the employees of those who continuously make illegal sales."

On March 22, employees at three Yukon stores were caught selling alcohol to an underage person who was helping deputies "undercover" with the compliance checks.

Tung Tran, an employee of the 7AM Food Mart at 10 N Kimbell, illegally sold a four-pack of Bud Light beer at 3:40 p.m. without asking for proper identification.

Trinh Thi Canh, an employee of Homeland grocery at 2400 S Cornwell, illegally sold a four-pack of Bud Light beer at 4:30 p.m. Canh had asked the minor for ID, but still sold the alcohol.

Patricia Howell, an employee of Sahi Plaza at 1521 S Czech Hall Road, illegally sold a four-pack of Bud Light beer at 6:43 p.m. without asking for ID.

Yukon's Howell, 56, was arrested and booked into the Canadian County Jail for selling/furnishing alcoholic beverage to a minor. Howell posted a \$1,000 bond and was released that evening.

On April 11, employees at two Mustang stores were caught selling alcohol to an undercover minor helping the sheriff's office with the compliance checks.

Yousef Muhammed Almhairat, an employee of Bronco Stop at 551 E Highway 152, illegally sold a four-pack of Bud Light beer at 4:30 p.m. without asking for proper identification.

Mustang's Almhairat, 23, was arrested and booked into the county jail for selling/furnishing alcoholic beverage to a minor. Almhairat posted a \$1,000 bond and was released the same day.

Amin Odeh, an employee of Cowboy Discount Tobacco at 707 E Highway 152, illegally sold a four-pack of Bud Light beer at 6:16 p.m. without asking for ID.

Out-of-custody charges were filed by the District Attorney's Office against the three store employees who were not arrested by sheriff's deputies.

These 19 Yukon/Mustang-area businesses passed the March 22 compliance checks after employees asked for ID and refused to sell alcohol to an undercover minor:

Love's Country Store, 1016 E Main; 7-Eleven, 10501 W Highway 66; Ice's Wine & Spirits, 10415 W Highway 66; 7-Eleven, 601 S Ranchwood; Circle K/Conoco, 1301 S Cornwell; CVS Pharmacy, 110 W Vandament; 7-Eleven, 509 W Vandament; Domino Express, 12930 NW 10th; Logan's Roadhouse Restaurant, 630 Shedeck Parkway; Chili's Grill & Bar, 901 West End Pointe; Circle K, 1256 S Garth Brooks Blvd.; Interurban Restaurant, 11316 W Reno; Joy's Liquor Barrel, 12134 E Reno; Twisted Cork Wine & Spirits, 331 S Cemetery Road; Louie's Grill & Bar, 1600 S Garth Brooks Blvd.; JoJo's Eats Inc., 1615 S Mustang Road - Suite A; 7-Eleven, 1601 S Mustang Road; Wine & More, 1605 S Mustang Road; and Mustang Fast Track/Shell, 1550 N Mustang Road.

These 16 Mustang/Yukon-area businesses passed the April 11 compliance checks after employees asked for ID and refused to sell alcohol to an undercover minor:

Mustang Fast Track/Shell, 1555 N Mustang Road; Filly Star/Morgan Food Mart, 1705 E Highway 152; Mike's Wholesale Priced Liquor, 1711 E Highway 152; Wal-Mart #517, 951 E Highway 152; Mustang Liquor, 248 E Highway 152; Homeland Grocery, 115 E Highway 152; Dollar General, 119 E Highway 152; Walgreens Pharmacy, 106 W Highway 152; CVS Pharmacy, 106 W Highway 152; 152 Liquor, 327 W Highway 152; Gas-N-Go, 357 W Highway 152; 1st Choice Foods, 844 W Highway 152; Victory Food Mart, 101 N Czech Hall Road; New Prime Foods, 1623 W Highway 152; 7-Eleven, 1711 W Highway 152; and Sahi Plaza, 1521 S Czech Hall Road.



'Principal for the Day'

Ethan Hall, a third grader in Mrs. Metzler's class, was "Principal for the Day" at Ranchwood Elementary. Ethan's family was the highest bidder (for third grade) to be "Principal for the Day" at Ranchwood's Bingo and Silent/Live Auction fund-raiser in March. Ethan's responsibilities included: Announcing Ranchwood Round-Up news, having lunch with Principal Mrs. Kristin Kilpatrick and helping with many other important duties.

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Yukon school district and Yukon "as a whole."

"This is a fantastic opportunity for Yukon," the new YPS superintendent said Monday night. "What a great way to showcase Yukon. This will bring people and business to Yukon, and spur the economy."

Oklahoma City FC has been working diligently since January to bring the NASL to the metro area. The NASL is a professional soccer league established in the United States and Canada with 10 teams playing in 2014.

Oklahoma City FC will join a thriving NASL that includes the reigning Soccer Bowl champion New York Cosmos, as well as the Atlanta Silverbacks, Carolina Railhawks, FC Edmonton, Fort Lauderdale Strikers, Indy Eleven, Minnesota United FC, Ottawa Fury FC, San Antonio Scorpions FC, and Tampa Bay Rowdies.

The Jacksonville Armada FC and Virginia Cavalry FC will join Oklahoma City FC as expansion franchises in 2015.

"This is an important step in the effort to get back on track in Oklahoma City," NASL Commissioner Bill Peterson said. "Now we can begin to finalize the process with Oklahoma City FC and focus on bringing Oklahoma City some great professional soccer. Our Board of Governors will review the ownership group and the stadium plan at our next meeting on June 4."

Prime Venue

Funded through a 2008 school bond issue, Yukon's \$17 million Miller Stadium opened in 2011. It is widely regarded as the premier high school stadium in Oklahoma.

The stadium has fixed seating of 6,500, and can be expanded to hold almost 12,000 fans. It features a split-level press box for working media and private suites.

A 24,000-square-foot wellness center sits in the south end of the complex; it includes state-of-the-art dressing rooms, physical therapy facilities, coaches' offices and a weight room. The stadium also features a large video board on the north end of the facility.

Oklahoma City's new professional soccer franchise was attracted to Yukon's "state-of-the-art, beautiful facilities" to host its team's home games starting in spring 2015, Dr. Simeroth said at Monday's night YPS Board meeting.

"I am thrilled we are able to offer the Yukon community the experience of professional sports right here at home; opportunities such as this don't come along every day," he said.

"When Sold Out Strategies (which manages Oklahoma City FC) approached us to partner with them, we jumped at the chance. The impact this will have on our community and school district will be nothing but positive."

YPS officials look forward to hosting a professional soccer team in its state-of-the-art facilities

and invite the community and businesses "to help us welcome" Oklahoma City FC in spring 2015, Dr. Simeroth added.

Home Field Advantage

"Miller Stadium is spectacular," said Brad Lund, spokesperson for Oklahoma City FC's ownership group. "We look forward to creating the NASL's best home-field advantage."

The NASL is the "second highest level of professional soccer offered in North America" after the Major League Soccer (MLS), Lund told YPS Board members Monday night.

Lund expressed enthusiasm for his soccer team's partnership with the Yukon school district. He expects a formal lease between the team and district to be before the YPS Board within 90 days.

The NASL features a split-season schedule running from April to early November, with a four-week break during the 2014 World Cup.

The spring and fall champions, along with the two teams with best combined spring/fall records, meet in a four-team single-elimination tournament known as The Championship.

Oklahoma City FC, managed by Sold Out Strategies, also fields Academy teams in the men's National Premier Soccer League and Women's Premier Soccer League.

Academy home games are played at Casady School in Oklahoma City.

For more information, go to OklahomaCityFC.com or call (405) 232-NASL(6275).



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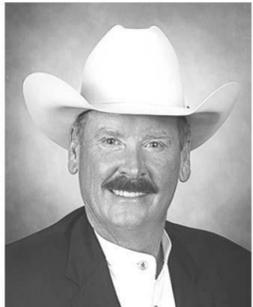
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