



# Open House for Crowder Wind

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An affiliate of NextEra Energy Resources is proposing to build a wind farm in Caddo and Washita Counties. Residents are invited to stop by to discuss the proposed project with us. For additional information visit our website at [www.nexteraenergy.com](http://www.nexteraenergy.com).

**Wednesday, April 19 from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM**

## Location:

**Colony Community Building**

35 Watan Ave.

Colony, OK 73021



## Crowder Wind Energy Center

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Refreshments will be served.



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s meeting kicks off cted to be major cele- luding a large-scale de and fireworks, to th anniversary of the l Sung, North Korea's d "eternal president," Un's late grandfather.

details of the April 15 - known as the "Day - have not been offi- ed, Pyongyang resi-

dents have been out every day dili- gently practicing in the city's squares and parks for the mass event.

The North Korean parliament is often dismissed as rubberstamp be- cause it tends to approve, rather than formulate, policies and laws, but its role is a bit more complex than the facade and spectacle pre- sented to the nation by state-run media.

For one thing, the regularity of its meetings — it usually meets once or twice a year — is, in itself, a sign of stability.

"The SPA gatherings completely undercut any analysis or prognosti- cations that the country is going to collapse. If they failed to convene an SPA session, that would be an indication that there is a fundamental problem among DPRK elites," said Michael Madden, editor of the North Korea Leadership Watch website.

"If there was an existential prob- lem with the (ruling) Workers' Party of Korea and the political culture, then they wouldn't be convening so many people at one time in Py- ongyang," Madden said.

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## Thought for Today

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"Education ... has produced a vast population able to read but un- able to distinguish what is worth reading." — George Macaulay Trevelyan, English historian (1876-1962).

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## Today in History

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In 1606, England's King James I decreed the design of the original Union Flag, which combined the flags of England and Scotland.

# Jury trial ordered for Oklahoma workplace beheading suspect

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — An Oklahoma judge on Tuesday said she couldn't accept a guilty plea from a man charged with beheading a co-worker at a food processing plant because the defendant refused to speak to her.

Cleveland County District Judge Lori Walkley instead ordered a jury trial for 32-year-old Alton Alexander Nolen, whom sheriff's deputies had to subdue him after he kicked the swinging gate that separates at- torneys from courtroom spectators, as he entered the courtroom.

"After that, the defendant put his fingers in his ears and refused to participate in any of the court hear- ings and didn't answer any of the judge's questions," District Attor- ney Greg Mashburn told reporters

## Finance officials warn more agency cuts may come

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Oklahoma finance officials say de- clining revenue collections are forc- ing them to make withdrawals from various funds to make agency al- locations this month and are warning state agencies that further budget cuts may be ordered.

Oklahoma's Secretary of Finance Preston Doerflinger (DOR'-fling- ur) released budget figures Tuesday that show collections to the state's main operating fund in March were 9 percent below the official esti- mate.

Doerflinger has faced criticism from some lawmakers for depleting the state's Rainy Day Fund in order to maintain state agency funding. Doerflinger maintains he has the legal authority to do so and that the depleted funds will be replenished before the end of the fiscal year.

But he is warning agencies that if fourth quarter revenues continue to decline, he may be forced to order deeper cuts.

after the hearing.

Nolen said in May 2016 he wanted to plead guilty and be sen- tenced to death in the 2014 behead- ing of Colleen Hufford, 54, at Vaughan Foods in Moore. But he was required to acknowledge that he stood by the guilty plea in order for sentencing to begin.

"If you continue to not talk to me, I will have no choice but to reject your plea and set this matter for a jury trial," Walkley said.

Walkley last week heard the re- sults of a mental examination she had ordered for Nolen, then ruled him competent to plea.

Prosecutors have said they will seek the death penalty.

"If I had my way, he'd be all the way already on death row but there's a process that we've had to go through to have a fair proceed- ing and the judge has done that. Un- fortunately, we're just not there yet," Mashburn said, calling the case "frustrating" and "a roller coaster ride" for both the families of the victims and for prosecutors.

Authorities say Nolen launched the attack in September 2014 at Vaughan Foods after the company suspended him for racial remarks. He killed Hufford and tried to kill co-worker Traci Johnson, also by decapitation, before he was shot by a company executive who was also an Oklahoma County Sheriff's re- serve deputy.

Nolen is charged with first-de- gree murder; assault and battery with a deadly weapon; assault with a deadly weapon; and three counts of assault and battery with a dan- gerous weapon.

Mashburn said he hopes the trial will begin in late May or early June.

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On April 12, 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt died of a cerebral hemorrhage in Warm Springs, Georgia, at age 63; he was succeeded by Vice President Harry S. Truman.