



By Dee Ann Ray

"Your Legacy of Love, Realize the Gift in Good-bye" is a new book written by Gemini Adams and published by Live Consciously Publishing, 1422 19th St., Unit E, Santa Monica, CA. 90404. Phone number is (310) 453-7711. E-mail can be directed to marketing@liveconsciouslynow.com. Adams acknowledged the book.

caused her to think about losing loved ones, making memories to survive the loss and the many other aspects of death.

Memory is one of life's best gifts. To create memories of love, laughter and inspiration is an important purpose for human beings. Adams gives all kinds of

suggestions for ways to create and savor those memories. There are a number of lists of helpful Web sites and a great index following the text.

The six simple steps "to realizing the gift in goodbye, as outlined by Adams are:

“Provide them with a continuing and loving
“Capture their image, voice, values and

• "Give ongoing emotional support and guid-

• "Preserve special memories for their loved ones";

"Achieve peace of mind and meaning to
"Be prepared for the worst."

The author's background includes training with leading bereavement support group and creating program to help families overcome and prepare

or loss. She also engages in research, presents programs, gives talks and does workshops from her Los Angeles home.

This is a valuable resource for any caring person. It includes a chapter on preparing a final farewell party in advance; advice on how to ensure any fu-

and advice on how to lift those burdens off survivors.

...source for any person wanting to leave a loving legacy. One constant in life is uncertainty, which means we have to do things in the here and now.

New revenue

Oklahoma's fiscal year has ended with evidence the state's revenues are being deeply impacted by the nationwide recession, State Treasurer Scott Meacham said.

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cal year, but action may be required in coming months.

It appears very likely at this point that fiscal 2010 revenues will be less than originally estimated for the current year. The estimate for the current year is \$23.6 million or 4.8 percent below the prior year and \$23.6 million or 8.2 percent below the original estimate.

Gross production taxes on oil and natural gas yielded \$718.5 million

"I will be meeting with state finance officials and Roy Henry to determine for the year, which was \$106.7 million or 12.5 percent below prior year

collections and \$41.8 million or 5.5 percent below the estimate.

the anticipated revenue shortfall." Preliminary reports for the year, which was \$34.8 million or 2.2 per-

now general revenue and collections for fiscal 2009 that ended June 30 totaled \$5.19 billion, or 3.2 percent above the prior year but \$54.8 million or 3.2 percent below the esti-

Motor vehicle taxes produced \$175.8 million, which was \$75.9 million below the prior year; and

The recession started

For the fiscal year, investments by the treasury, in-

er, collections exceeded
ear, July through Decem-
ne first half of the fiscal
million. That is \$14.2
million or 8.3 percent be-
low the prior year.

Other revenue, including investment earnings along with taxes on

others, produced \$698.4 million for the year. The

"The fall off in gross production taxes on oil and gas was particularly

deep. While total fiscal or 10.9 percent below the car gross production col- estimate.