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All this and much more as *The Enterprise* reports in this week's amazing edition!

Grand Jury indicts four local citizens

The Donley County Grand Jury met on June 27, 2012, and handed up four indictments, according to District Attorney Luke Inman's office.

Bryan Keith Price was indicted for Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child for an offense alleged to have occurred on March 17.

Larry Mario Jaramillo was indicted for Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child for an offense alleged to have occurred on April 1, 2012.

Jerry Lynn Norwood was indicted for Possession of a Controlled Substance for an offense on December 1, 2011.

Nicholas Ryan Clubb was indicted for alleged Burglary of a Habitation on March 9, 2012.

City to hold public meeting on grant

The City of Clarendon will hold a Public Meeting at 5:05 p.m. this Thursday, July 5, in front of the Burton Memorial Library. This meeting will be to receive input from citizens regarding downtown revitalization, sidewalk replacement, and the Texas Capital Fund grant application.

State to hold three shot clinics in July

The Texas Department of State Health Services will hold three Immunization Clinics in Clarendon this month.

The clinics will be held from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and from 1:00 to 3:30 p.m. on July 5, 12, and 19 with the first 15 clients being seen at each time.

All clinic times subject to change or cancellation due to weather conditions or unforeseen scheduling conflicts.

Please bring immunization records for children to receive vaccines.

Comptroller's office offers vital resource

AUSTIN – During the month of July, the Comptroller's office will conduct 15 free taxpayer seminars across the state. At these seminars, taxpayers can learn how to properly fill out tax forms, and file and pay taxes electronically. Information about e-services will also be available to help taxpayers manage their accounts online. Comptroller representatives will be on hand to answer questions and provide assistance to attendees.

A complete list of locations, dates and times of the taxpayer seminars is available at www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/seminars.html. Those who are unable to attend can call 1-800-252-5555.

Aldermen approve \$25k water system study

The City of Clarendon will conduct a professional study of city waterlines to try to determine the best way to improve the aesthetic quality of the water and how it's distributed.

The Board of Aldermen at last week's meeting on June 26 approved hiring KSA Engineers to conduct the Water Distribution System Study after a spirited debate that included a shouting match between two aldermen.

After listening to about 45 minutes of explanation from Public

Works Director John Molder regarding the problems of discolored water in some parts of town and KSA's Clayton Scales about his company's proposal, the board failed to pass a first motion to approve the study.

Mayor Larry Hicks, who had asked for discussion prior to taking the vote, asked his board what it proposed to do instead, which prompted a heated exchange between Alderman Terry Noble, who had made the motion, and Alderman Tommy Hill, who did not vote for the measure. Hill and Aldermen Jesus Her-

andez and Abby Patten then asked several questions about KSA's previous work for the city, and ultimately the board agreed have better communications and passed the measure unanimously.

"This is a good idea," Hill said.

The study is expected to take 120 days to complete at a cost of \$25,000 and will include computer modeling of the city's water system to determine where all the lines are, what problems exist in the system, and suggested long-term solutions for improving the system, including

how to fund those improvements. The city has about \$15,000 in the current budget for this project and will budget the remainder when the new budget year begins this fall.

Alderman Hill asked about how the project would affect street improvements approved by voters in May, and City Administrator Lambert Little said he would see if the city can hold off on issuing the bonds until after the city can address the water lines first.

Mayor Hicks said he believed the public would support the city

making this decision.

In other city business, Aldermen approved \$700 from the Hotel Occupancy Tax to promote activities by the Clarendon Merchants Association this week; heard a report about tax levies and appraisals from Paula Lowrie of the Donley Appraisal District; and heard from Gary Campbell about continuing efforts to get the city's water wells online and connected to the Greenbelt Water Authority and about a rainwater harvesting workshop that will be held here on July 28.



Summertime

Ella Estlack enjoys a summer day blowing bubbles Sunday afternoon. The forecast for this week's July Fourth activities is for clear skies with temperatures in the mid- to high-90s.

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DPS increasing DWI patrols for July 4th holiday

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) will increase DWI patrols for a nine-day period that includes July 4th. From June 30 – July 8, DPS troopers will focus DWI patrols in high-risk locations at times when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent.

"Plan ahead. If you are drinking, make sure you have a designated driver or some other form of

transportation," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Otherwise, you could be making a very expensive or even fatal mistake."

The enhanced patrols that target impaired driving are funded through a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT). DPS made 1,406 DWI arrests during the July 4th enforcement effort last year, and 575 of those arrests were a

direct result of the increased patrols. Last year, during this time period, DPS enforcement also resulted in nearly 18,000 speeding citations, 3,390 seat belt/child safety seat citations, 920 fugitive arrests, and 656 felony arrests.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that the July 4th holiday ranks No. 1 nationally for alcohol-related fatal

crashes. According to TxDOT, more than 1,000 Texans are killed each year as a result of impaired drivers, and Texas is frequently ranked as the nation's deadliest for impaired driving deaths.

"The goal of our enforcement effort is to save lives and make traveling in Texas safer for residents and visitors during the July 4th holiday," said McCraw.

Sandell even better with new projector

The Sandell Drive-In has gone digital this season with the purchase of a new \$68,000 projector that eliminates the need for film.

Movie-goers will notice that the picture at the Sandell is much clearer and brighter than ever before thanks to the higher wattage of the new system, and the Drive-In also has many other new things it can do with the upgrade.

Owner John Morrow says he pretty much had to make the change after Sony, Fox, and Universal studios all said they would be ending support for 35mm film after 2012. So after some research, he decided to purchase the Barco DP2K-32B system.

Now instead of reels of film, Morrow receives a hard drive that plugs into the system, and a keycode is sent to him electronically that allows the movie on the drive to be accessed for a limited time.

Trailers are pre-loaded digitally instead of having to splice them into the film, and Morrow says the time-saving aspect is the greatest advantage of the new system.

"It used to take one to one and a half hours to get ready to show a movie," Morrow said. "This loads itself. It used to take 30 to 45 minutes to rewind the film, but I can delete this in seconds."

Morrow said the projector comes with a 3D option for another \$15,000, but he has been told it doesn't work well at drive-in theatres due to light pollution. He hopes to visit a 3D drive-in theatre in Kansas sometime to see for himself how well it works.

With the new technology, Hollywood productions aren't the only thing that can be shown at the Sandell. Already two birthday parties have been held that featured a DVD slideshow of pictures of the birthday child, and Morrow said his family put some their old home movies on a DVD and put them on the big screen following his mother's funeral.

"We got to see her alive the day we buried her," he said. "There was no sound, but we all added the sound by recalling stories about her."



Sandell Drive-In owner John Morrow with the theatre's new digital projector.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Morrow said he hopes to be able to run advertisements for local businesses before the trailers of movies, and the projector can also show PowerPoint presentations.

Morrow said he thinks the late Gary Barnhill, who opened the Sandell in 1955, would like

the new system because it is easier on the projectionist. Morrow opened the drive-in ten years ago this Labor Day after it had been closed for 16 years. He says he has plans to celebrate his anniversary and will make those known as time gets closer.

Clarendon plans fun celebration

Clarendon is getting ready to roll out the red carpet for visitors to the 135th annual Saints' Roost Celebration, which will be held next week July 4, 6, and 7.

Downtown will be the site of the first activities this year with all the happenings on Wednesday, July 4, at the Courthouse Square. The Craft Fair begins at 9 a.m. with the Kids Bicycle Parade starting at 10 a.m. followed by the Shriners' Barbecue at 11 a.m. Tickets for the barbecue are \$10 each and are available on the Fourth in advance at the ENTERPRISE and Henson's

The afternoon of the Fourth will see the Western Parade at 2 p.m. and the Lions Club's Cow Patty Bingo.

That night the Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association will hold its junior ranch rodeo at 7:30 p.m. with a dance to follow on the slap at 9 p.m. with Trevor Leeper providing the music.

The Ranch Rodeo will be held Friday and Saturday, July 6 and 7, with rough stock provided by Bill Hext and Ed Montana announcing. Chris Clerihew & The West Coast Turnarounds will provide music for the dance on Friday and Buster Bledsoe Band will open for Tommy Gallagher & Brimstone on Saturday.

Other celebration favorites, including the Downtown Depression Luncheon and the Henson's Turtle Race will be held on Friday this year.

CEDC continues work on Mulkey

Efforts are still underway to "Bring Back the Mulkey Theatre" with the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation awaiting a report this month from architect Mason Rogers.

Rogers has been working with Amarillo-based contractors to prepare a scope of work for the theatre that would involve two stages. Cost estimates are expected this month.

The first phase would involve restoring the facade of the building, including replacing doors and windows, repairing stucco, painting, and adding more neon. After the first stage is completed, phase two would focus on interior renovations to make the theatre operational again.

The CEDC will turn the neon marquee on again for this year's Saints' Roost Celebration. The neon lettering was restored last summer thanks to several generous contributions to the Bring Back the Mulkey project.

Donations are still accepted by the Donley County Historical Commission, PO Box 905, Clarendon, TX 79226.

WARNING: The following column is an editorial (i.e. an opinion, a point of view) and may contain ideas with which some readers may freely disagree. It could be harmful to liberals, socialists, and other small mammals. Read at your own risk.

Court runs roughshod over Liberty

The United States Supreme Court shocked many Americans last Thursday when it upheld the controversial Affordable Care Act, otherwise known as Obamacare, delighting liberal Democrats and infuriating Republicans and Libertarians because of the vast power that has now been vested in the federal government. It is a power that, left unchecked, will forever change the relationship between the government and the People.



editor's commentary by roger estlack

When the bill was passed two years ago, it was 2,700 pages long and chocked full of spending for new and expanded programs, mandates on insurance companies, and pet projects designed to completely overhaul the American health care business. (By contrast the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights are six pages long and mostly places limits on the government and defines and expands the Liberty of the People.) But the linchpin of the Affordable Care Act is a provision known as the individual mandate.

That provision requires all Americans who can afford it to go buy health insurance. Of course, if you already have insurance, that's great. But if you're sitting around doing something un-American like saving your money for retirement or just using it to buy beer, then Uncle Sam now tells you to go buy health insurance. And if you don't, you'll face a penalty.

Phrasing is important here because the White House and the Congress insisted this is in no way a tax on the People but just a fine for failure to comply with a lawful order under something called "the Commerce Clause" - a provision of the Constitution that gives Congress the power to regulate interstate commerce. The clause was meant to keep states from putting up barriers to trade between themselves - and basically created a 13-state free trade zone. Unfortunately, it has since been perverted to allow the federal government to stick its foot in all our business on everything from how much water the washing machine you buy uses to what kind of light bulb you can put in your house, but I digress.

The court's ruling found that the individual mandate would in fact be unconstitutional under the Commerce Clause - because, well, heck the government could then make you buy anything. But five of the nine justices found that mandate was constitutional under Congress' power to levy taxes. A penalty is a tax, they said, even though the Supreme Court has never ever said that before.

Chief Justice John Roberts, who was appointed by a conservative Republican, President George W. Bush, cast the deciding vote and wrote the majority opinion, in which he basically asserts that Congress can in fact make you buy anything or face a penalty...oops... a tax. Roberts wrote: "Suppose Congress enacted a statute providing that every taxpayer who owns a house without energy efficient windows must pay \$50 to the IRS.... No one would doubt that this law imposed a tax, and was within Congress's power to tax."

I would doubt it was within Congress' power, and I would be squealing like a stuck pig about it. But Roberts wasn't finished with his brilliant ruling, writing that when the government makes rules under the Commerce Clause it brings about its "full weight" on the matter. "An individual who disobeys may be subjected to criminal sanctions. Those sanctions can include not only fines and imprisonment, but all the attendant consequences of being branded a criminal. . . . By contrast, Congress's authority under the taxing power is limited to requiring an individual to pay money into the Federal Treasury, no more."

Limited to requiring an individual to pay money? Is he flipping kidding us right now? People go to jail for tax evasion. If you don't pay your taxes, you can go to federal prison. If you resist arrest for this offense or try to escape from federal prison you risk being shot and killed. Limited to paying money... Balderdash! The Chief Justice has clearly lost his mind.

Two hundred and thirty-six years ago this week, our Founding Fathers put their lives and fortunes on the line when they declared that all men are created equal and have certain natural rights from their Creator and that governments are established to secure these rights, and then they wrote:

"... That whenever any Form of Government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to abolish it, and to institute new Government..."

The American people have a chance to stop this affront to our rights. They can vote Mr. Obama out of the White House this November and send all of his allies in Congress packing, too. But the odds are not good. Gov. Romney, who has been foolishly chosen as the Republican nominee by the party establishment, is not the most credible spokesman on this issue, and then, too, Republicans don't always vote the way they should in Congress. A full repeal of this act is necessary but not likely.

The consequences for either re-electing Mr. Obama or failing to repeal the act in its entirety are unthinkable. The federal government will be left unchecked in the role it can play in our lives. It will have become destructive of our Liberty, and we must ask, "What would our Founders think of this?"

Independence celebrates sacrifice

I loved standing in front of Henson's, watching the horses prance by, two by two, their riders proudly carrying American and Texas flags. Rodeo queens, decked out in their colorful finery, came next. An ancient fire truck, with siren wailing and firemen gently tossing candy through the warm July air, followed closely behind. We had to be careful when scrambling to grab the candy scattered among the horse apples. The Fourth of July parade remains one of my finest memories of growing up in Clarendon.

After the parade we would congregate on the courthouse lawn for the Independence Day barbecue. The line would snake along the shaded areas of the sidewalk as we slowly made our way through the line, helping ourselves to heaping portions of barbecue and all the fixings. While eating, we would listen to the adults converse about patriotic aspects of our history.

That evening, as the July heat slowly ebbed, everyone would head out to the rodeo grounds for the rodeo, the finest entertainment of the year. The last event, bull riding, was the apex of the show, and was the stuff of dreams when our heads finally hit our pillows that night.

As I grew older, I began to think more of our founding fathers and the sacrifices made while founding this great country. Independence Day has, for me, become a time to reflect on the enormous cost of keeping this great republic free.

Our freedom was purchased with the blood and suffering of countless soldiers, sailors, and their families. Throughout the ensuing years our free-

dom has come at a terrible cost, in the blood and lives of our military men and women, many of whom continue to suffer from grievous wounds to body and soul.

I'm eternally grateful that I was born an American citizen and have the opportunity to live my life with the full blessings that American citizenship offers. Even so, I feel a strong obligation to pay homage to those who have gone before me and sacrificed their blood and lives so that I may enjoy the benefits of living in the greatest nation in history.

It's my hope that we will not despoil our American citizenship by sharing it too freely with people from other lands, people who choose to illegally enter this great land and steal the freedoms and benefits paid with the blood, sweat, and tears of those who have gone before, and those who will come later.

This Independence Day, I will celebrate the founding of the United States of America and I will do so with a special appreciation for the sacrifices made by American servicemen and women who sacrificed their lives in order to preserve our freedom. I'm grateful for our veterans and for those who now serve in our military.

While we may rightfully disagree politically, all Americans have an obligation to treat our military personnel with

respect and dignity. I still remember how dishonorably our Viet Nam veterans were treated back in the 1960s and 1970s, by a small segment of our population. Their treatment was inexcusable.

Another wonderful attribute of the American experience is freedom to disagree politically. For example, the recent Supreme Court ruling has definitely added fireworks to the national debate about health care. Earlier this year, when the Court announced that it would consider the Affordable Care Act, I told Roger that I felt like the Supreme Court would, in fact, affirm Obamacare. Roger was, and is, of the opinion that it is unconstitutional.

I based my opinion on reports that I had read about Chief Justice Roberts when he was going through the confirmation process. Anyway, I predicted that the Court would affirm the Affordable Care Act six to three.

When the Court announced its decision Roger was absolutely apologetic. Rather than trying to explain his disappointment I encourage our readers to read his column in this week's edition of the paper. His position is well thought-out and cogently presented.

The Supreme Court's decision will most assuredly add some much-needed fireworks to the elections of 2012, perhaps the most important elections in our lifetime. The decision may just be the catalyst needed to get Mitt Romney elected president.

I hope everyone has a wonderful Independence Day. We live in a truly magnificent country, a country worthy of our respect. Let's not forget those who sacrificed so much to keep her free.



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A taxing decision on health care

The Supreme Court's decision to uphold most of the Administration's health care law is disappointing, but with the vast majority of Americans voicing deep misgivings about the law, the debate is far from over. In fact, the Court made a point of writing that while the law is constitutional, it was not deciding on its fairness or wisdom. The qualms about the law have grown as Americans have learned more about how it will affect them and affect the economy. The law contains over \$500 billion in new taxes, cuts nearly \$500 billion out of the Medicare program to fund a new government entitlement and puts the federal government between patients and their doctors.

The American people do not want this law. American business does not want this law. And quality American health care cannot survive this law - at least not as we know it.

The Supreme Court made one thing very clear: this is a tax. As the majority said, it was not ruling on fairness, or the wisdom of health care policy, but on the power of Congress to levy taxes. At a time when many Americans are struggling to make ends meet, hitting them with a massive tax is indefensible.

When the health care law is fully implemented, most Americans won't be able to keep the coverage they have now. Their health care choices will be made for them in Washington, D.C., and there will also be new regulations to disrupt the doctor-patient relationship. Businesses are struggling too. A

Gallup poll in February asked small businesses why they aren't hiring, and nearly half of the respondents said it was because they are worried about potential health care costs. Another survey released this year, by the US Chamber of Commerce, found that 74 percent of small-business respondents say the health care law has made hiring more difficult.

If you own a business and don't buy government-approved health insurance for your employees, health care reform imposes a new tax. If business owners want to grow their business and hire new employees, health care reform imposes costly federal regulations if their payroll exceeds 50 workers.

When given the choice between creating new jobs or facing unprecedented levels of federal regulation and higher taxes, the smart money is on businesses freezing hiring. America cannot afford that kind of stagnation in an already faltering recovery, and the 23 million unemployed and underemployed Americans simply cannot wait for a light at the end of the tunnel.

And then there is the cost to America's health care system. This law puts government between doctor and patient. It allows unelected bureaucrats

to decide who gets what treatment and how. It delivers a blow to the foundation of our system: the cutting-edge research and technology, and access to new drugs, treatments and technologies that are the hallmark of American innovation.

This law does not address the very real issues in our health care system. It imposes growth-killing taxes on job creators and a financial burden on American families. It inserts government between doctors and patients and takes away patient choice. The process by which it was built was opaque and the American people's voices were not heard.

Republicans in Congress want a common-sense, step-by-step approach to health care reform that is transparent and that respects the will of the American people, who have said again and again that they do not approve of this law. We want an approach that is fair and economically responsible. We want a plan that does not burden small businesses, that does not create more innovation-restricting red tape and that does not try to make Americans' medical decisions for them.

The solution is for Congress to repeal the law, and start over with common-sense, step-by-step health care reform that Americans want and need - reforms that build on the strengths of our health care system, increase quality and choice, and lower costs. I hope the President and my colleagues on both sides of the political aisle will listen to our constituents, and work together on practical, sensible reforms.



capitol comment by sen. kay bailey hutchison

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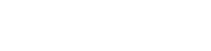
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Texas launches no-refusal July 4th

AUSTIN – Texas law enforcement won't be taking no for an answer this Fourth of July, particularly from motorists driving drunk and refusing to cooperate when stopped.

Officers, judges and district attorneys will be doubling down on law enforcement in conjunction with a "No Refusal" campaign launched just in time for the holiday festivities. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reports that the July 4th holiday ranks No. 1 nationally for alcohol-related fatal crashes. In 2011, Texas saw 308 alcohol-related crashes during the holiday.

The Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) outreach program puts a new face on the agency's "Faces of Drunk Driving" campaign – a statewide initiative that garnered national and international attention with the story of Jacqui Saburido, the young woman whose face was burned beyond recognition after being hit by a drunk driver.

This year's campaign highlights Sean Carter who suffered a massive brain injury when a car in which he was riding spun out of control and slammed into a tree. Both Sean and the driver were legally drunk.

"July Fourth is the deadliest holiday of the year for alcohol-related crashes in the United States," said Carol Rawson, TxDOT's Traffic Operations Division director. "Texans need to hear Sean's powerful story and know that law enforcement will be out in force. It's important to make the right choices. Stay safe and enjoy the holiday. If a celebration involves alcohol, don't drive."

"No Refusal" means just that. Motorists suspected of driving while intoxicated must provide a breath or blood sample to law enforcement. Should they refuse to comply, law enforcement officials can take the suspect to jail, where a judge then signs an expedited search warrant that calls for a mandatory blood sample to be taken by a qualified health-care professional. Those

found to be legally intoxicated (i.e., with a blood or breath alcohol content of .08 or higher) are arrested and prosecuted.

"This is not new to Texas," said Montgomery County Assistant District Attorney Warren Diepraam. "Officials have seen a significant drop in DWI activity in areas of the state where these programs have been used. In Montgomery County, we have seen a big drop in intoxication manslaughter charges since we started our no-refusal program."

Still, more than 1,000 Texans are killed each year as a result of impaired drivers, and Texas is frequently ranked as the nation's deadliest for impaired driving deaths. In 2011, Texas saw 24,151 alcohol-related crashes, resulting in the loss of 1,038 lives.

To drive home this message, TxDOT has updated its "Faces of Drunk Driving" website with a new

story that illustrates the human impact of drunk driving. Sean Carter was a 22-year-old college junior, out having drinks with friends. Sean knew he was in no condition to drive home, but neither was the friend who gave him a ride. The driver walked away from the same crash that left Sean in a wheelchair and unable to talk. Sean now uses a computer to speak.

"Don't drink and drive, and please don't make my mistake of riding with someone who has been drinking," Carter said. "If I knew then that the decisions I would make on that night a few years ago would affect the rest of my life, putting me here in this wheelchair unable to walk or talk, you can bet I would not have done what I did."

Visit www.facesofdrunkdriving.com to learn more about Sean's story and the dangers of drunk driving.

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Join us in celebrating our freedom this Independence Day by praying for those who are serving our country in the U.S. and abroad. Pray for them and their families for a safe return and peace everywhere.

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- Wednesday** - Chicken Fried Steak, 2 sides, roll - \$6⁹⁹
- Thursday** - Taco Salad - \$5⁹⁹
- Friday** - Fish Night - \$7⁹⁹
- Saturday** - Burger Special - \$5⁹⁹

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July 4, 6 & 7
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July 4
Independence Day
Jr. Ranch Rodeo • COEA Arena • 7:30 p.m.

July 6 & 7
Ranch Rodeo • COEA Arena • 7:30 p.m.

Menus

July 9 - 13

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Chicken tetrazzini, Italian veggies, salad/Italian dressing, garlic bread, oatmeal cookies, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Macaroni/beef/tomatoes, turnip greens, black eyed peas, cornbread, applesauce, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Beef pot roast, roast potatoes, roast carrots & peppers, wheat rolls, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Taco pie w/salad topping, pinto beans, chuck wagon corn, tortilla, peanut butter cup, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Fish or substitution, mustard greens, marinated cucumber & onions, cornbread, oatmeal cookies, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken & dumplings, biscuit, tossed salad, winter fruit cup, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Salisbury steak, diced potato/skin, English peas, wheat rolls, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Pinto beans & ham, spinach, seasoned corn, oranges pineapple cup, apple crisp, corn bread, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Spaghetti & meat sauce, Italian vegetables, broccoli, garlic toast, Jello, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: BBQ beef, smothered potatoes, pinto beans, wheat bun, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.

Gage, Miller named weekly winners

By Sandy Anderberg

Ouida Gage bested a field of six golfers to win low gross in the weekly women's game on Thursday with an 82 for the 18 holes at the Clarendon Country Club.

Judy Thornberry won low net with a 67, and Sandy Anderberg and Gail Leathers tied for second low net with a 69. Wendel Miller took the top spot in the men's game on Wednesday with a net 65, and Todd Curry was second with a net score of 66.

Five teams participated in the nine-hole scramble on Friday night. Two teams came in at five under par and a putt off decided the winner. Jeremy Howard sunk a putt to put his team in first place. Other members are Kevin Wood, Kaleb Wood, and Steve Paschall. The other teams came in at four and three under par.

There will be an 18-hole scramble on Wednesday, July 4, at 3:00 in the afternoon. There will also be a Two-Man Lowball Tournament July 14-15 with tee times at 8:30 and 1:30 on Saturday. Teams will be fought for Sunday's round. You may call the Pro Shop for more information.

Calling all Girl Scouts

If you are or have ever been a Daisy, Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, Ambassador or Girl Scout leader we want you to join us for a glass of tea and a trip down memory lane. July 4th from 10-12 on the Courthouse Square.

Animal Shelter to be open

Holleigh's Haven Animal Shelter and Sanctuary is not yet accepting animals despite last week's report to the contrary.

The shelter is still being built and hopes to be open by the end of the year. Kristy Christopher says she is raising money for the shelter.

When it's open the shelter will not accept feral cats or wild animals and will only take dogs and cats that are tame and adoptable.

If you have a pet that needs a home you may take its picture and post it on the shelter's Facebook page to give away. You may not sell animals on our Facebook page.

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Watch out for job seeker scams stealing business names

With school out, and kids as well as many adults seeking jobs, let's be cautious with our money and personal information. A savvy job seeker always checks out a business before going on an interview. But what happens when that company's name is just a cover for a scam?

How the Scam Works: An increasing amount of scammers are using the names of legitimate businesses and organizations to lure in job seekers.

In one recent example, scammers posted a help wanted ad on Craigslist.org for an opportunity at

the real, Virginia-based "Association of Corporate Travel Executives." When job hunters responded to the ad, imposters sent them checks to deposit. Consumers were told keep a portion of the check as their pay and to wire the rest to a third party via Western Union. Of course, the checks never cleared, and victims were out the money.

In another variation, scammers stole the name of BBB Accredited, Ohio-based business FBN Construction LLC. Scammers sent emails to local consumers promoting a job opportunity there and encouraging

applicants to fill out an online form on a fake website. The form asked for personal information, opening job seekers up to identity theft.

Tips to Avoid Falling for Fake Job Scams:
1. Job postings with grammatical errors, misspellings and lots of exclamation marks are likely scams. Ads promoting jobs with generic



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titles, such as admin assistant or customer service rep, and containing the phrases "Teletworking OK," "Immediate Start" and "No Experience Needed" are popular in scam ads.

2. If a job looks suspicious, search for it in Google. If the result comes up in many other cities with the exact same job post, it is likely a scam.

3. Be very cautious of any job that asks you to share personal information or hand over money. Scammers will often use the guise of running a credit check, setting up direct deposit or paying for training.

4. Check out the business' website to make sure the opening is posted there. If you are still skeptical, call the business to check on the position.

Remember there is no age limit to Identity Theft. Teenagers or college students looking for summer jobs are targets.

If they get your information you could go for years before you find out that your identity has been stolen, and it is very hard to get your credit back.

Be safe out there and enjoy the fourth in Clarendon.

Hedley youth to hold fund raiser in August

The Hedley Methodist Youth Group is having Hamburger & Hot Dog Fund Raiser, 6:00 p.m. on August 10 at the Methodist Church yard. Five dollars gets either hamburger or hot dog and all the fixin's. Music will be provided by Danny Mullins, and there will be a horse shoe tournament and a silent auction. Craft Booths are free. Just show up and set up in the back of the yard. Bring your own lawn chairs and come join us and enjoy good food, music and fellowship.

Hedley Senior Citizens still selling raffle tickets on the two-Person Hunting Package (AR-15

w/laser scope, two-day guided hog hunt and a two-day stay at the Bar H Dude Ranch; tickets \$10 each or \$50 for book of seven. We will be out and about at different events and places or you can mail a check to me at PO Box 216, Hedley, TX 79237. Email: pkpsier1@windstream.net or call 806-856-5302.

Recipe: Chicken Fingers On Stick: Breaded chicken is a good bet for finicky eaters, and this variation, grilled and served on a skewer, makes it even more appealing to kids. Add your child's favorite dipping sauce, and there might not be any left for the adults! 4 boneless, skin-

less chicken breast halves, pounded 1/2 to 3/4 inch thick. Salt and pepper, 24 (10-inch) bamboo skewers, soaked in water for 30 minutes, 3 tablespoons peanut or vegetable oil, 2 tablespoons barbecue sauce, 1 1/4 cups plain dried bread crumbs. Cut each chicken breast lengthwise into 1/2-inch-wide strips and sprinkle with salt



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and pepper. Fold the chicken strips slightly and weave them onto the skewers. Prepare a charcoal fire or set a gas grill to medium-high, close the lid, and heat until hot -- about 10 to 15 minutes. In a small bowl, stir together the oil and the barbecue sauce. Spread the bread crumbs on a sheet of waxed paper. Lightly brush the sauce mixture over the chicken strips and then roll them in the bread crumbs. Grill the chicken fingers uncovered until they're no longer pink inside, about 2 to 4 minutes per side on a gas grill.

May God Bless and heal our beautiful country.

Group calls attention to fireworks garbage

AUSTIN – After the colorful Fourth of July fireworks have faded from the night sky, they're not really gone - not if you count the leftover plastic that litters beaches, lawns and fields across the state.

One environmental group is asking consumers to think about that this year, as they select fireworks. Ellen Anderson, with Environmentally Friendly Fireworks, says her volunteer clean-up crew focuses its efforts on beaches, picking up pounds of plastic from pyrotechnics months after Independence Day.

"We get however many we can grab on the morning after, but the tide takes out a lot of these plastics."

Reducing pesticide runoff will be topic of webinar

COLLEGE STATION – "Best Management Practices for Reducing Pesticide Runoff on Rangelands" will be the July 5 webinar topic for the Texas AgriLife Extension Service's ecosystem science and management unit's monthly webinar series.

The webinar will be presented by Brent Clayton, an AgriLife Extension program specialist in the department of biological and agricultural engineering. He will discuss ways to reduce the risk of pesticide runoff with proper application and water management.

"With fuel and chemical prices

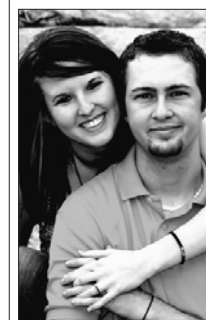
on the rise, following best management practices for applying pesticides can reduce the operating costs on a ranch in addition to reducing the risk of environmental contamination from storm-water runoff," Clayton said.

There will also be a discussion on financial incentives for a landowner to implement best management practices on his or her property.

This one-hour webinar is part of a series offering Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units online, according to Brittany Grube, graduate assistant and webinar coordinator.

The webinar is scheduled from noon to 1 p.m., Grube said. There is no charge to participants not seeking continuing education units. However, there is a \$10 fee for those wanting the Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education unit. This program offers one continuing education unit -- 0.5 in laws and regulations and 0.5 in drift minimization.

This webinar, and others in the 2011 and 2012 series, can be accessed at <http://naturalresourcewebinars.org>. For more information on the webinars, contact Grube at Brittany.grube@agnet.tamu.edu.



Erica Depew and Trenton Tribolet.

Depew to be wed

Carlie Durham of Clarendon and Carl Depew of Childress are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Erica Morgan Depew of San Angelo, to Trenton Allen Scott Tribolet of San Angelo.

The prospective groom is the son of Glenda Tribolet of San Angelo and Scott Tribolet of Sacramento, Calif.

The couple will be wed on September 22, 2012, at the Pecan Creek Papilion in San Angelo.

Depew is a 2007 graduate of Clarendon High School, and Tribolet is a 2007 graduate of Central High School.



Dr. Lauraine M. Paul

Paul earns doctorate degree from University of Phoenix

Charlotte and Robert Paul are proud to announce the graduation of their daughter, Lauraine M. Paul, who recently earned a doctorate in Educational Leadership from University of Phoenix graduating with 3.72 GPA.

Before moving to Clarendon, she earned a bachelor's degree in Psychology with double minor in speech communication and biology from Edinboro University of PA. She then worked as a mental health counselor for Porter Adventist Hospital in Denver, Colo., for five years; and as an assistant apartment manager for Thompson Mitchie Associates in Denver, Colo., for five years.

After the birth of her son Tyler, she decided to pursue her passion to teach. She then earned a master's degree in Secondary Education from University of Phoenix.

Recently published research conducted for her dissertation titled "The Relationship between Critical Thinking and Academic Preparedness among Community College Students in Northeastern Texas" was dedicated to Clarendon College in memory of Jewel Houston.

For the past five years, Lauraine

has taught online classes for University of Phoenix. She volunteers with Christ's Kids Outreach Ministry. She gives honor, glory, and praise to God for all her accomplishments. "Thank you for all the encouragement, love, and blessings this community has bestowed upon me. May God abundantly bless each one of you and your families."

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Commission adopts rural transportation plan

AUSTIN—Today, the Texas Transportation Commission adopted the Texas Rural Transportation Plan 2035 (TRTP), putting in place a rural component of the state's broader long-range planning efforts and providing a blueprint for the development of a safer, more efficient and less congested transportation network between population centers.

This is the first plan the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has prepared that specifically addresses transportation issues in rural areas, noted Commissioner Fred Underwood.

"Rural transportation planning in Texas is a collaborative process that brings TxDOT together with public and private transportation

stakeholders, local elected officials and the public," Underwood said. "The TRTP focuses on rural areas of the state and transportation projects that connect users in rural areas to urban markets, jobs and services."

Underwood added that the TRTP is an analytical assessment of rural transportation needs and unfunded projects. "It's a starting point, not the end all," he explained. "As usual, there will be other factors that come into play during project development that will determine which projects move forward."

The TRTP is a component of the agency's 2035 Statewide Long-Range Transportation Plan (SLRTP), a much broader planning effort that received Commission approval in

November of 2010. Like the SLRTP, the rural version examines all modes of transportation including highways, inter-city buses, rural aviation, rural port access, freight movement and bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

The TRTP identifies planned improvements for highways by focusing on rural added capacity projects that address statewide mobility and connectivity goals. Also included is a ranked list of district highway projects to be used as a guide to shape the future of rural transportation. In January, the agency adopted new rules that better define requirements for developing the SLRTP and the Unified Transportation Plan (UTP) as well as specify coordination with Rural

Planning Organizations (RPOs) to develop long-range plans. RPOs generally make recommendations to the department concerning transportation projects, systems or programs that impact the rural area.

TxDOT conducted a series of public meetings earlier this year in each of the agency's 25 districts to present the project selection process and the findings and to solicit customer feedback. Stakeholder meetings with RPO representatives, county judges, business leaders, and other transportation partners were also held to develop a consensus on the project selection process and the projects actually chosen. The rural plan builds on the work done previously in the SLRTP.

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Hawkins receives state 4-H alumni award

LUBBOCK – A Clarendon native was recognized during the statewide Texas 4-H Roundup held recently on the campus of Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

At the event, the Texas 4-H Alumni Award was presented to Amy Jarmon, formerly a 4-H member in Travis County, and Dr. Dean Hawkins, formerly a 4-H member in Donley County.

"The Texas 4-H Alumni Award recognizes adults who have made significant achievements in their communities as a 4-H member and have shown evidence of the influence of 4-H into their adult lives," Boleman said. "This award is admin-

istered by the Texas 4-H Friends and Alumni Association."

As a professor and head of the agriculture department at West Texas A&M University in Canyon, Hawkins gives leadership to the future of agriculture in the Texas Panhandle and beyond, said Brandon Dukes, AgriLife Extension specialist for 4-H and youth development, Potter County.

"As department head, he shapes the agriculture education curriculum and hires faculty to lead and inspire future generations of students," Dukes said.

"As a parent, he works with the county AgriLife Extension agent

to train parents and select swine projects for youth throughout the county."

"This was a unique program for many reasons, not the least of those being that it was held on the Texas Tech campus instead of the Texas A&M University campus, where it had previously been for several decades," said Dr. Chris Boleman, Texas 4-H program director, College Station.

Boleman said the 2012 Texas 4-H and Youth Development Program's Salute to Excellence Banquet during 4-H Roundup provided a worthy venue for award presentations.

THC's medallion is officially historic

AUSTIN – Now in its 50th year of publication, the Texas Historical Commission's (THC) magazine The Medallion is continuing to showcase noteworthy projects, programs, and people in the Lone Star State's preservation community.

The publication has evolved dramatically over five decades, from a four-page mimeograph-style newsletter "for chairmen of county

historical survey committees" to the full-color magazine of today. Though the presentation has changed, the magazine's content remains consistent, from news about helpful grant programs to photos of endangered historic properties to guidelines on conducting successful preservation projects.

The Medallion originated as a monthly newsletter for several hun-

dred recipients, and is now mailed quarterly to nearly 14,000 subscribers.

Though the THC continues to add names to The Medallion's mailing list, recent budget limitations have resulted in a shift to encouraging online readership.

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The members enjoyed dining together Friday evening in a restaurant in Shamrock.

President Tom Etheredge called the business meeting to order Saturday morning. Cary Don Neeley gave the opening prayer. Officers presented their reports including Virginia Etheredge, treasurer; Karon Tate read the minutes of the previous meeting and Pam Neeley recorded the minutes in the absence of the chapter secretary. Pat Riggins, Newsletter Editor; Pam Neeley, Sunshine Lady and Cary Don Neeley Chaplain gave reports.

After the buffet style luncheon Saturday, Shirley Henard, hostess, escorted members to the Collingsworth County Museum where Doris Stallings, Collingsworth County Museum Vice President and Director, presented a tour of the museum. Members viewed pictorials from the early day Collingsworth County to present day by a local artist. The three building rooms, including the loft, were viewed with interest of each individual display.

The following members attended: Tom and Virginia Etheredge and guest, Zach Etheredge; Jay and Verna Teague, Pat Riggins, Delbert White, Bill and Ruth Hudson, Wayne and Marilyn Cope, Bobbie Rhodes, Cary Don and Pam Neeley, Rudie and Karon Tate, J. W. and Ida Hartman, Larry Reich, Margaret Vines, Ruth Caldwell, the Selfs, Henards and Hughs.

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Drugs in the News

Meningitis Vaccine Approved

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Meningitis is an infection that may be caused by bacteria and can progress rapidly in children and infants following the first symptoms. Early symptoms often include irritability and a sudden high fever. A rash (purple or red spots) may develop on the trunk, palms of the hands, legs, and soles of the feet. At one time Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib) was the leading cause of meningitis in children younger than age 5. Currently, most cases of meningitis due to Hib disease occur because the child has not completed the initial series of immunization.

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Sheriff's Report

June 18, 2012

8:56 a.m. – At Courthouse
 9:33 a.m. – EMS assist 6th & Goodnight
 10:37 a.m. – At J.P. Office
 3:47 p.m. – To Sheriff's Office see complainant
 11:55 p.m. – EMS assist 800 block East 4th

June 19, 2012

7:55 a.m. – EMS assist 200 block Daniels - Hedley
 9:50 a.m. – EMS assist at Clinic
 11:41 a.m. – Out at Annex
 12:40 p.m. – EMS assist – EMS Station
 4:35 p.m. – Civil standby 1300 block Rosenfield
 7:22 p.m. – See complainant 5th & Taylor
 11:32 p.m. – EMS assist 100 block North

June 20, 2012

7:53 a.m. – EMS assist – 4800 Greenbelt Way
 8:35 a.m. – Units paged two vehicle accident North 70 South of I-40
 4:39 p.m. – Report of alarm – 700 block West 2nd

June 21, 2012

8:45 a.m. – EMS assist – Medical Center Nursing Home
 10:51 a.m. – EMS assist - Clinic
 12:22 p.m. – At J.P. office
 7:51 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block South Jefferson
 11:14 p.m. – EMS assist 700 block S Koogle

June 22, 2012

8:25 a.m. – EMS assist 300 block South Koogle
 6:31 p.m. – EMS assist at EMS Station

June 23, 2012

3:00 a.m. – EMS assist 800 block South Kearney
 7:07 a.m. – Report of Alarm 900

block West 2nd
 2:38 p.m. – To jail with one in custody
 3:09 p.m. – EMS assist 400 block East Rosenfield
 4:16 p.m. – See caller – 600 block East Browning
 6:01 p.m. – EMS assist – 12500 block Co Rd T
 8:04 p.m. – See complainant 200 block East Barcus
 8:36 p.m. – EMS assist – 200 block East Barcus
 9:00 p.m. – To jail with one in custody
 9:48 p.m. – See complainant 400 block West 5th
 9:53 p.m. – Report of intoxicated subject walking North 70
 11:10 p.m. – Courtesy ride to Hall County

June 24, 2012

3:07 a.m. – Report of armed suspect heading towards Clarendon from Wellington
 7:58 a.m. – EMS assist 4700 block Co Rd 7
 12:45 p.m. – See caller 200 block East Barcus
 5:05 p.m. – EMS assist 300 block Rosenfield

June 25, 2012

12:53 a.m. – See caller 300 block Rosenfield
 2:21 a.m. – Check commercial burglar alarm 900 block West 2nd
 8:48 a.m. – Out at Courthouse
 10:02 a.m. – EMS assist - Clinic
 10:44 a.m. – EMS assist 4600 block Co Rd 7
 12:15 p.m. – EMS assist – Medical Center Nursing Home
 2:07 p.m. – EMS assist – 900 block East Martindale
 3:25 p.m. – Report of someone stealing road signs FM 1260
 6:11 p.m. – See caller – 1300 block FM 2471
 9:15 p.m. – EMS assist – 300 block Rosenfield
 11:34 p.m. – Commercial burglar alarm 900 block West 2nd

June 26, 2012

2:00 p.m. – See caller HWY 271
 2:54 p.m. – EMS assist – 200

block North Jefferson
 8:50 p.m. – Report of someone dumping a fryer on Co Rd 11
 11:07 p.m. – Commercial alarm 900 block West 2nd

June 27, 2012

8:07 a.m. – Report of hitchhikers 287 Eastbound
 10:55 p.m. – EMS assist – Medical Center Nursing Home
 10:55 p.m. – Units paged to small grassfire 12400 block Co Rd R
 11:40 p.m. – Report of fireworks – 800 block South Kearney
 11:44 p.m. – Commercial burglar alarm 900 block W 2nd

June 28, 2012

5:35 p.m. – See caller – 200 block South Woodrow – Lela Lake
 5:43 p.m. – See caller 100 block McDougal St - Hedley
 7:10 p.m. – See caller 800 block 3rd
 8:21 p.m. – Units paged – small grass fire West of Hedley

June 29, 2012

7:09 a.m. – EMS assist – 5500 block 273
 9:32 a.m. – Loose livestock FM 3257
 7:37 p.m. – Reporting fireworks – 800 block South Kearney
 8:14 p.m. – EMS assist – 700 block East Rosenfield
 8:42 p.m. – Another report of fireworks – 800 South Kearney
 9:58 p.m. – Report of fireworks - Hedley
 11:52 p.m. – Commercial burglar alarm 900 block W 2nd

June 30, 2012

5:57 a.m. – Units paged truck accident 1 mile East of Lelia Lake

July 1, 2012

7:40 a.m. – Loose livestock – Railroad Street - Hedley
 7:11 p.m. – EMS assist at EMS Station
 8:08 p.m. – To jail with one in custody
 8:25 p.m. – Report of reckless underage driver - Hedley

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Littlejohn competes in Odyssey of Mind World Finals

Logan Littlejohn, 12 year old grandson of Jerry and Mary Hicks of Quail, Texas, competed in the Odyssey of the Mind 2012 World Finals, hosted by Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, May 23 through May 26. His team from Hallsville, Texas, Middle School place 12th of the 55 teams from all over the World and 8th among the National teams. They also, placed 2nd at the State of Texas competition in Houston, Texas, and 1st at the North Regional competition in Southlake, Texas. Logan's parents are Danny and Shellie Littlejohn of Hillsville, Texas.

Odyssey of the Mind originated in 1978 and is an international educational program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students from Kindergarten through College. There are 5 long term problems from which children can choose to participate on a team of up to seven children per team. Logan participated on a balsa wood team for problem 4. His team designed and built a 12 gram structure from balsa wood and glue that held 495 pounds with a calculated weight of 742.5 pounds. Each team had a coach but could not have any input from an adult when designing their structure. The testing of the structure was presented in a performance that included mathematics in it.



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Here's what's happening around town during the Saints' Roost Celebration!



Wednesday, July 4

- 9:00 a.m.**
Craft Fair,
Courthouse
Square
- 10:00 a.m.**
Kids' Tricycle/
Bicycle Parade
- 11:00 a.m.**
Shriners'
Barbecue,
Courthouse
Square
- 2:00 p.m.**
Western
Parade
- Lions Club
Cow Patty
Bingo to follow
- 7:30 p.m.**
Annual COEA
Ranch Rodeo,
COEA Arena
- Dance to
follow



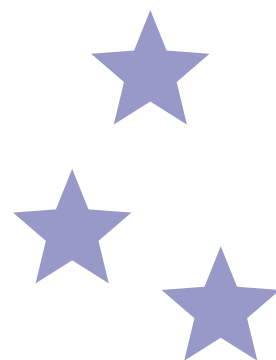
Friday, July 6

- All Day**
Downtown
Merchants'
Sales
- 11:00 a.m.**
Downtown
Depression
Luncheon
- 2:00 p.m.**
Henson's
Turtle Race,
downtown
Clarendon
- 7:30 p.m.**
Ranch Rodeo
COEA Arena
- Dance to
Follow



Saturday, July 7

- All Day**
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Sales
- 7:30 p.m.**
Ranch Rodeo
COEA Arena
- Dance to
Follow



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Texas A&M answers your weather questions

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Q: You never hear much about tornadoes happening in other countries. Do they occur all over the world?

A: The answer is yes, says Brent McRoberts of Texas A&M University. "The reason you hear so much about tornadoes in the United States is because we have so many, by far the most in the world," he points out. "Each year, there are about 1,200 tornadoes that form in the U.S., and a record 226 were reported last year in the Southeast in a 24-hour period

alone. That compares with only about 80 per year in Canada and only about 20 per year in Australia. There are documented reports of tornadoes occurring in every continent except Antarctica. Oddly, The Netherlands has the greatest incidence of tornadoes anywhere on Earth when you consider relative land size."

Q: What are some other places in the world that have tornadoes?

A: There have been some strong tornadoes reported in South America, McRoberts adds. "In 1973

a tornado hit Argentina that killed 54 people and was unusually strong for that part of the world," he reports. "Also that year, a tornado did some heavy damage in Brazil. A series of tornadoes hit Bangladesh, located near India, in 1996 that killed more than 600 people and injured 12,000. And Germany has reported more than 500 tornadoes since 1900. There are probably more tornadoes worldwide than we know about because in many countries, the actual confirmation and reporting of a tornado tends to be very sketchy."



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Statewide 4-H Golf Challenge to score with fun & education

COLLEGE STATION – During the statewide Texas 4-H Golf Challenge, young people can compete while learning about sports nutrition, golf course and turf grass management, and golf rules and etiquette, said the event's coordinator.

The 3rd annual statewide Texas 4-H Golf Challenge will be held in different regions during the month of July. (Texas 4-H/Texas AgriLife Extension Service graphic)

"This is the third year of the Texas 4-H Golf Challenge," said Kyle Merten, Texas AgriLife Extension Service 4-H program specialist in College Station. "The event was developed by AgriLife Extension agents, 4-H specialists and others to give young people an opportunity to compete in an outdoor sporting event."

Two-day challenge events will take place in all four AgriLife Extension regions statewide – North, South East and West. Dates and locations are: North Region: July 2-3, Meadowbrook Golf Course, Lubbock; South Region: July 9-10, Victoria Country Club, Victoria; East Region: July 9-10, Twin Lakes Golf Course, Canyon; and West Region: July 23-24, Sonora Golf Club, Sonora.

These events are open to young men and women ages 11-18, regardless of whether they belong to 4-H, Merten said.

He said the Texas 4-H Golf Challenge provides a unique opportunity for young people to have fun playing and competing in an outdoor sport and increasing their understanding of some important issues affecting their communities, the state and the nation.

"The event was created in response to statistics showing the increasing obesity among young people and the loss of land, especially prime farmland, to development," Merten explained. "Texas and the U.S. are experiencing a serious problem with youth obesity, and people need to be more aware of the effect of urban sprawl on the land around them."

He said each of the two-day golf experiences will include workshops, a clinic with a golf professional, an evening social and the 18-hole golf challenge.


The cost is \$180 per team, and participants must register individually at \$60 each as a member of a three-person team. Registration includes 18 holes of golf, two catered meals and professional instruction.

Participants should register online through the 4-H Connect website at <http://tx4-h.tamu.edu/4hconnect/index.html>.


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In 1 Samuel, we read of the time when God's people demanded a king. Samuel was very upset by this but God told him to go ahead and appoint them a king. God should have been their king. Often, mankind wants something or someone they can see to worship. They want to see where their blessings come from. That is why throughout time, much of mankind doesn't mind to be ruled by a king or dictator. They see a person who seems to keep things running and take care of everyone.

It happened in Germany in the 30's and 40's with Hitler coming to power. God was ignored and people became hungry for what they thought would be a savior of Germany. What they got was a man capable of atrocities that are unrepeatable. Chairman Mao, Stalin, etc., the list goes on. Whenever man supplants God with man, it is always a downgrade. When man looks to government or man to provide for him and his family instead of Jehovah, he becomes a slave.

Understand, we all have to choose the master we will serve. Some want to serve man because they don't have to answer to standards as high as God's. The problem with that choice is that man isn't capable of governing himself or others without God's precepts. A ruler can't keep his people fed or protected without God. God has 4 rules that can't be altered: 1. He is God. 2. You are not. 3. You can ignore or break His rules. 4. There will be consequences if you do.

Who will you look to for your blessings and protection? Will it be a corrupt government such as we have, led by godless people? Or, will it be the Great I Am who promises us to take care of us if we will just live faithful to Him (Matt. 6:33)?

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In addition to the enhanced interpretation, visitors will discover a new flag area incorporating the historic entrance gates and memorial stones, a restored bandstand with original windows, door openings and roof, and a new exhibit on the Battle of Coleto Creek, as well as outdoor interpretation panels and new restrooms.

Fannin Battleground is one of the Texas Historical Commission's 20 historic sites representing compelling examples of the Texas mystique throughout the Lone Star State. Rehabilitation projects an interpretive plans are currently being completed at most of the sites, offering heritage travelers and opportunity to experience these real places telling the real stories of Texas history.

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Sun. Service: 10:30 a.m. • Sun. 6 p.m. • Wed.: 7 p.m.</p> <p>Church of Nazarene: 209 S. Hanley • 874-2321
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Sun. Evening: 6 p.m.</p> <p>First Christian Church: 120 E. Third St.
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Wed. Youth: 6:15 p.m. • Wed. Bible Study: 7 p.m.</p> <p>First Baptist Church: 300 Bugbee Ave. • 874-3833
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Sun. Service: 10:55 a.m. • Sun. Evening: 6 p.m. • GA & Team Kid Ministry: Wed. 5:30 p.m. • Adult Bible Study: Wed. 6:30 p.m. • Youth Study: Wed. 7 p.m. • College Ministry: Wed. 9 p.m.</p> | <p>First Presbyterian Church: Fourth & Parks
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Fr. Anokha Raj Samala • Sun. Mass 11 a.m.</p> <p>St. Stephens Baptist Church: 300 N. Jefferson St.
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| <p>Church of Christ
110 E. Second St.
Minister: Bright Newhouse
Sun. Bible Class: 10 a.m.
Sun. Service: 11 a.m.
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Wed.: 7:30 p.m.</p> | <p>First Methodist Church
200 N. Main St.
Pastor: Gary Boles
Sun. Service: 9:30 a.m.
Sun. School: 10:30 a.m.</p> | <p>First Baptist Church
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Sun. School: 10 a.m.
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Wed.: 6 p.m.</p> | <p>Old Paths Primitive Baptist Church:
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| <p>Martin Baptist Church
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Wed.: 7 p.m.</p> | <p>Brice Deliverance Tabernacle
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Obituaries

Odell
Gene Odell, Jr., an educator, coach, and counselor of young people for almost 40 years, whose chance meeting of a young Cleo Shaffer on a tropical vacation turned into a love affair and marriage of 51 years, died of complications from heart failure June 24 at the age of 79 in Amarillo, Texas.



Gene Odell, Jr.

Memorial services will be private. Cremation and Arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Mr. Odell (or Coach Odell, as he was known to his players, even years after they graduated) started his coaching/teaching career in 1954, after a distinguished football career at Texas Western, where he was a team captain. All-Border Conference End and, in 1985, was inducted into the El Paso Athletic Hall of Fame.

Across the span of 38 years in education, he was teacher, coach, principal, superintendent and counselor to many young people in El Paso, Marfa, and Fort Davis. His career was studded with honors, including several district championships at Bel Air High School in El Paso in football, basketball, and golf, as well as being a respected counselor. He was principal at Marfa High School for eight years and Superintendent of the Fort Davis Independent School District for three years. Gene was very well known and appreciated by former players and students, so much so that his family teased (and quietly took great pride) that he could not venture anywhere in West Texas without being greeted by a former player or student. He once said winning "wasn't as satisfying to me as students coming back in later years and telling me I had a great influence in their lives."

His long and happy marriage to Cleo started after they met vacationing in the Bahamas, he from Texas, she from Pennsylvania.

She joked he used a tropical rum drink to make her to miss her flight, leading to an extended stay and start of a long relationship.

But their children long suspected it was love at first sight for them both. They met in June for a week, both went back to their respective homes, and were married three months later on September 24, 1960. Fifty-one years later, he was still opening doors for her.

Though his primary passion was helping and guiding young people, Gene developed and enjoyed many strong friendships. He made friends through the years, from childhood cohorts to high school and college teammates, to fellow teachers and administrators, to retirement golf buddies. Gene's friends were dear and important to him, and he enjoyed staying in touch and spending time with all of them.

In addition to Cleo, Gene is survived by his three children and spouses (Lori and Stan Leffew, Cindy and Greg Ward, Greg and Shelly Odell), six grand children (Jessie, Mandy, Matt, Lauryn, Ryan, and Riley), and five great grandchildren (Cole, Avery, Madyson, Titus, and Pierce). Although he is deeply missed, his legacy of hard work, being a good person and treating others as you want to be treated, lives on as a profound example to them all.

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Graves

Kenneth Graves, 81, died Wednesday, June 27, 2012, in Memphis, Texas.

Graveside Services were held Monday, July 2, 2012, in Rowe Cemetery in Hedley with Rev. Anthony Knowles, officiating. Inurnment at Rowe Cemetery in Hedley. Cremation and Arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Kenneth was born August 8, 1930, in Winchester, Missouri to William and Ada Carol Graves. He had been a resident of Amarillo prior to moving to Hedley 2 years ago, he was a carpenter, and was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and a son, Mickey Graves.

He is survived by a daughter, Kathy Turner of Hedley; a granddaughter, Angie Turner of Hedley; 2 grandsons, James Turner of Memphis and Troy Turner of Lubbock; 3 great grandchildren, Fayde, Paris, and Presley Turner.

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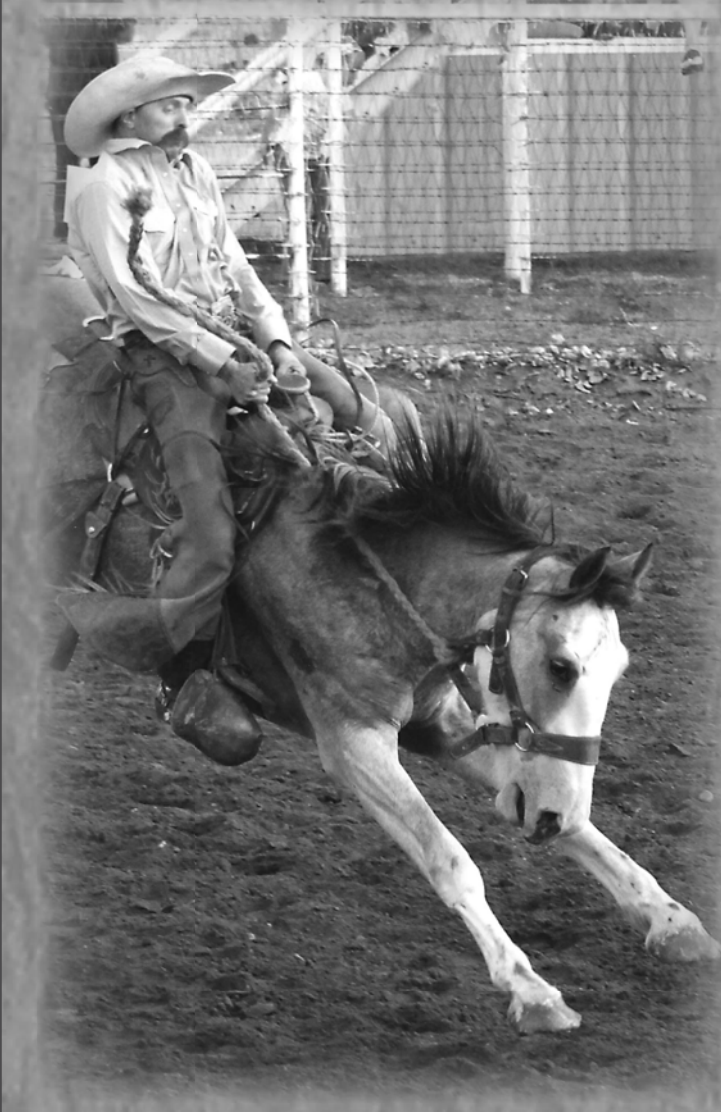
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 9:00 p.m. - Dance, COEA Slab

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 All Day - Downtown Merchants' Sales
 11:00 a.m. - Downtown Depression Luncheon
 2:00 p.m. - Henson's Turtle Race, Downtown
 7:30 p.m. - Jr. Ranch Rodeo, COEA Arena
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