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## THIS WEEK

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- 4 A former local man is back in a long-running musical drama.
- 6 And Legislators are ready for another school battle.

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

## City to hold Town Hall this Thursday

The City of Clarendon will hold a town hall meeting this Thursday, June 29, to discuss funding for community projects.

The meeting will be held at the Bairfield Activity Center at 6:30 p.m. and will focus on the city's proposed water recreation project and also discuss the Mulkey Theatre project.

City aldermen called for the public forum following recent actions by the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation Board and the Water Recreation Steering Committee regarding possible financing for the aforementioned projects. The financing would be paid for by the half-cent EDC sales tax that is already being collected.

"The city is committed to providing every opportunity for our citizens that we can afford," Dockery said. "We also want to ensure that their voices are heard."

## CISD names Conkin as athletic director

Clarendon ISD Trustees met in called session last Thursday, June 22, to consider the position of athletic director and hired Clint Conkin for that position and head football coach.

Superintendent Mike Norrell said Conkin was head boys' basketball coach and assistant football coach at Memphis last year. Prior to that he was head basketball and assistant football coach at Littlefield for seven years.

Conkins fills the position vacated earlier this month when Gary Jack resigned after 13 years to take the AD position at class 3A Callisburg ISD.

## Community Fund to hold raffle Saturday

Tickets are on sale for a raffle under the direction of The Donley County Community Fund, which will award \$3,000 in prizes this Saturday, July 1.

One winner receives a \$2,500 gift card, and two others each receive a \$500 gift card. Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased on the week the morning of July 1 or in advance from Jacob Fangman, Diana Skelton, Sheri Johnston, Shanna Herbert, or Roger Estlack.

As an Affiliate of the Amarillo Area Foundation, the DCCF is working to build an endowment to help support non-profits in Donley County. Last year, the DCCF awarded \$1,000 grants to the Saints' Roost Museum and the Hedley Lions Club. Applications for the 2017 grant cycle will be available soon.

# City welcomes visitors to celebration

Clarendon is ready to welcome visitors to the 140th annual Saints' Roost Celebration and also the Whistle-Stop Trade Days with festivities to be held on Friday, June 30, and Saturday, July 1, as well as on Sunday, July 2, and Tuesday, July 4.

The celebration begins with a Depression Luncheon Friday, June 30, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Crossities Ministry Center next to the Library on Kearney Street. The Clarendon Outdoor Entertainment Association will open its Ranch

Rodeo Friday night, at 7:30 at the COEA Arena followed by a dance at 9 p.m. featuring the music of Luke Koepke & Indian Creek.

The big day will be Saturday, July 1, beginning with the Arts & Craft Fair on the square at 9 a.m. sponsored by the Donley County 4H. Booths are \$25 each and should be reserved through the Donley County 4H by calling 806-874-2141.

The Chamber of Commerce's Old Settlers Reunion and the Kids' Bicycle & Tricycle Parade also

begin at 9 a.m. The Kids' Parade will line up and register at 8:30 at Keith Floyd's shop at Third and Sully. Ed Montana will provide music and serve as master of ceremonies on the square.

Line up for the Herring Bank Parade will also start at 9 a.m. on Sixth Street north of Prospect Park. At 10:00, the parade will then take its usual route - north on Kearney to Third Street, west on Third to Sully, south in front of the Courthouse, and then wind back to the ball parks.

The Herring Bank Parade features \$850 in cash prizes with \$200 available for the best float, \$100 for the best car or truck entry, \$100 for the best animal or riding unit, \$100 for the best tractor or farm equipment entry, and \$100 for the best "other" entry. From those first place winners, judges will select a Grand Prize winner who will receive an additional \$250. Pre-registration is required for entries to be judged for the prize money, and entry forms are due in the Visitor Center by 5 p.m. on

June 29. Entry forms are at the Visitor Center and on ClarendonTX.com.

Also this year, the Chamber and Cornell's Country Store will hold a "Show Us Your Boots" contest as part of the parade. One grand prize winner will get a \$100 Cornell's gift card, and one second place winner will get \$50 in Chamber Cash. More information is available on the entry form at the Visitor Center and at ClarendonTX.com.

The Al Mohr Shrine Club See 'Celebration' on page 3.



## Best in Five States

Best Western Regional Service Manager Brian Turnbull (center right) presents Highest Service Score Award to Best Western Plus Red River Inn owner Steve Hall last Thursday surrounded by the local hotel's staff. Red River Inn was rated number one among all 147 Best Western Plus and Premier properties in District 5, which covers Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Louisiana. The ranking for the second quarter of this year is based on guest surveys. Turnbull oversees 40 properties in Texas and says the Clarendon hotel stands out among other Best Western Plus hotels. "Steve and his team do a fantastic job," Turnbull said.

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## Residents and city clean up

The City of Clarendon is making progress in cleaning up the community, according to reports presented to the City Council during its regular meeting last Thursday, June 22.

Administrator David Dockery told the council that the citywide clean-up held June 5-10 was very successful with residents bringing in 75.3 cubic yards of trash and city crews bringing in another 40 cubic yards, the equivalent of almost three 40-yard roll off boxes.

"That's a substantial amount," Dockery told the Enterprise this week. "I think the clean-up was very well received by the residents, and the efforts of the community are evident when you drive around. We truly appreciate those who helped clean up."

Dockery said the city's half-price for dumping promotion saved residents \$720 during the course of the week.

The administrator said the annual clean-up goes hand-in-hand with the city's ongoing code enforcement efforts, which encourages keeping properties clean and in good repair year around.

The demolition of one derelict property is one example of those efforts presented in last week's code enforcement report to the board. Dockery said a trailer house located at 512 S. Sully was demolished last Tuesday, June 20.

City Hall also says it has two other properties that may have to be



City sanitation director Joe Neal Shadle maneuvers a skid loader during the demolition of a old house on Sully Street last Tuesday afternoon.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / MORGAN WHEATLEY

demolished soon.

Aldermen were also supposed to hear an update on phase two efforts to bring the former Neece residence at 602 S. Bugbee into compliance, but no one showed up to speak about the property, Dockery said.

In other city business, the council heard from Kathryn Wiegand of the Amarillo Area Foundation, who reported on funds held there for water recreation project and the services the foundation provides to the community through the

local affiliate fund.

Micha Robnett addressed the board on behalf of the Clarendon Care Center, which discussed the nursing home facility and the services it provides. Robnett also reported that Raymond Garcia is now the local administrator of the center.

Aldermen approved a request for funding from the Donley County Senior Citizens, voting to give \$2,000 to the Meals on Wheels program.

City Secretary Machiel Covey

received her annual employee evaluation in closed session, after which she was compliments on her diligent work on behalf of the city.

The council approved an amendment to Ordinance 339 to establish new fees for certain items disposed of at the citizens convenience center.

Dockery also reported that the city's annual Consumer Confidence Report on the municipal water supply had been mailed to each water customer and is also available for inspection at City Hall.

## CC summer enrollment posts gains

Clarendon College's summer enrollment is showing impressive gains, according to information presented to the Board of Regents during their June 15 meeting in Pampa.

President Robert Riza said the college's spring mini-session saw its enrollment shoot up 172 percent from 79 students to 215.

"This was the second time we've done this two-week mini-session, which is all online," Dr. Riza told the Enterprise. "Our marketing is why that is so huge. We specifically marketed this session as well as marketed online classes and our online degree."

The college also saw a big jump in its 12-week summer session for its career and technical classes. Those numbers are up 41 percent from 168 last summer to 238. Those numbers include students enrolled in cosmetology and nursing.

The traditional five-week Summer I session is up 53 percent, from 202 students last year to 309 this year. Riza said enrollment on the Pampa campus grew from 22 to 60, which the administration largely attributes to changes in the nursing program and encouraging those students to get prerequisites taken care of before the fall semester begins.

The Summer I growth also includes a rise in distance education, or online, classes from 159 last year to 229, which Riza said again reflects marketing efforts.

By comparison, Summer I traditional sessions at area colleges have been as follows: Amarillo College up 13 percent, West Texas A&M up 5.25 percent, and Frank Phillips College down 4 percent.

Enrollment for the Summer II session is ongoing with classes to start July 12, and Riza said the CC is already seeing growth in Pampa and Childress for that session.

"Our enrollment growth overall is a result of the hard work of a lot of people," Riza said. "From getting the word out and doing things differently, it continues to pay off. We've also got a faculty and staff that are willing to get it done."

In other business at the June meeting, Regents approved an extension of CC's contract with Great Western Dining, set the tuition and fee schedule for 2017-2018, and authorized requirements for nursing degree and admission requirements.

The board also ratified the hiring of LaRoyce McAdoo as the high school equivalency / adult education and literacy success coach, Angela Fennell as an administrative assistant in Pampa, Lukas Ziegler as the assistant livestock judging coach, and Lori Beesley as the GED instructor.



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# Protect speech that we don't want to hear

By Gene Policinski  
Inside the First Amendment

We periodically test and retest the limits of free speech—in effect, revisiting the legal and societal implications of that old childhood refrain, “sticks and stones may break my bones, but words will never hurt me.”

Recently, free speech has been winning...even when it hurts, as surely it sometimes does.

Just a few days ago, the U.S. Supreme Court said a Seattle rock band called “The Slants” had a right to register its name over the objections of the Patent and Trademark Office.

The government’s contention was that the name is also a derogatory term for Asian Americans, and as such violated a federal act prohibiting trademarks that “disparage...or bring...into contempt or disrepute.” But Justice Samuel Alito’s opinion in *Matal v. Tam* said that denying the trademark “offends a bedrock First Amendment principle: Speech may not be banned on the ground that it expresses ideas that offend.”

Alito also rejected the idea that the government’s role should include efforts to stamp out ideas that offend large groups of people. Such an active effort, he said, “strikes at the heart of the First Amendment. Speech that demeans...is hateful, but the proudest boast of our free speech jurisprudence is that we protect the freedom to express ‘the thought that we hate.’”

In a concurring opinion, Justice Anthony Kennedy said protecting offensive speech also protects all speakers who hold views not shared by the majority of citizens: “A law that can be directed against speech found offensive to some portion of the public can be turned against minority and dissenting views to the detriment of all...The First Amendment does not entrust that power to the government’s benevolence. Instead, our reliance must be on the substantial safeguards of free and open discussion in a democratic society.”

Granted, we’ve decided as a nation that some speech is outside the First Amendment’s purview; speech threats and fighting words, blackmail, child pornography and attempts to immediately incite violence among them. But we must continue to narrowly define in law what is not protected, even if it means standing in defense of the rights of those who would provoke, challenge or even disgust most of us.

The same “free and open discussion” logic underlying the *Matal v. Tam* decision was expressed in 2011 by Chief Justice John Roberts, in turning back a civil lawsuit seeking penalties against the so-called “West-born Baptist” group that protests at the funerals of fallen U.S. military personnel, often with signs crudely opposing gay rights and other religious groups.

“Speech is powerful. It can stir people to action, move them to tears of both joy and sorrow, and—as it did here—inflame great pain,” Roberts wrote. “On the faces before us, we cannot react to that pain by punishing the speaker. As a Nation we have chosen a different course—to protect even hurtful speech on public issues to ensure that we do not stifle public debate.”

We need to know the depth and manner in which all kinds of ideas exist. Only at times to understand how to effectively oppose or refute some of them. Such understanding is a necessary foundation for the marketplace of ideas, that competitive element that undergirds a democratic republic.

None of this says any of us have to passively accept that which we do not like, or abhor. We may bring our complaint in the court of public opinion rather than in its legal counterpart. Effective? You bet.

Just ask comedian Kathy Griffin, who quickly found out she crossed a line into unacceptable—though still legally protected—speech, when she posed with the faces veered head of President Trump. Faced with a deluge of online criticism and cancellation of public appearances and a network TV deal, she apologized profusely: “I beg for your forgiveness. I went too far,” she said in a video posted on Instagram. “I made a mistake and I was wrong.”

And turning to late-night host Stephen Colbert: The FCC properly refused to act against Colbert for a crude on-air reference to oral sex in a joke about President Trump and Russia’s Vladimir Putin. But after wide public outcry over both the words and the tenor of the joke, Colbert responded, “While I would do it again, I would change a few words that were cruder than they needed to be.”

We do at times find instances in which speech begets conduct that is not protected. In Massachusetts, a teenager will appeal a June 15 verdict in a “suicide by text” case. She was convicted of involuntary manslaughter as a result of her text messages to a suicidal boyfriend that the court found showed “wanton and reckless disregard for the life of the victim.” Free speech advocates say the decision could criminalize speech never intended to cause real harm, such as the childish taunt to “go jump off a bridge.”

This current list of contentious free speech issues also includes proposals in some state legislatures to limit public protests, debates over campus speech codes and speakers, and even wider arguments over how to deal with free speech on the Internet that is considered “fake news.” Each of those subjects merits their own lengthy discussion.

No one solution fits, or fixes, all. We must have the courage to defend against those who would take a shortcut through the First Amendment in the name of preserving good taste, protecting public sensibilities, or even in defense of “truth.”

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# Uncle Mort hits the 105 year mark

It may be that my Uncle Mort and George M. Cohan, “the man who owned Broadway,” may not have as much in common as we’ve been led to believe. For years, Mort has claimed that he and the “Yankee Doodle Dandy” share the same birthday.

“Yep, July 4th was the big day for him and it still is for me,” Mort has bragged, until the world looked level.

“The song says he was ‘a real live nephew of my Uncle Sam, born on the Fourth of July,’” Mort reminds us, breaking into song. “I guess I’m a ‘Rebel Doodle Dandy,’” he jokes....

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Maybe the popularity of the song overshadowed the facts. Historians agree that Cohan (1878-1942) was NOT born on July 4. They can’t decide, however, whether his birth date was July 2 or July 3.

Mort’s kin and friends, however, cut him considerable slack, since most of them question whether imaginary characters are “born” at all.

Anyway, he’s throwing his 105th birthday party down in the thick, figuring crowds will come in if only to get “sticky-fingered” eating cold, juicy, garden-grown yellow flesh watermelons that will be at their best in early July....

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He says he will introduce his latest invention at the party—a one-edged sword. “We live in a world awash in decision-makers bombarding us with laws, suggestions, directives and dilemmas, almost all of them accompanied by ‘two-edged’ sword warnings,” Mort said. He thinks his sword with a single

edge could be helpful in our retreating to a gentler world with fewer edges.

With the push of envelopes to the edge, so many folks trying to get an edge and all of us striving to cope in a world becoming more “edgy” by the day, my old uncle may be onto something....

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When Mort isn’t introducing some invention, he’s known for taking on imponderables which have “befuddled” for decades. During his party, he said an age-old question will be answered—once and for all.

He recently placed two separate orders with Amazon. One was for a chicken, and the other, for an egg. “At my party, I’ll announce which came first!”...

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My wife and I have often laughed at Mort’s long-story about the guy who invented the boomerang. He designed a better one, but didn’t know how to throw the other one away.

Several years ago, the City of Burleson introduced plastic bins for property owners to place curbside each week for pick-up of recyclable materials. Ours finally gave way; a crack rendered it useless. She called City Hall, learning that if we’d place the old receptacle on the curb the following Wednesday, it



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by don newbury

would be replaced by a new one.

Sounds simple enough, right? However, we forgot to place the old one out, but they brought a new one to our address, anyway. So far, we have placed the faulty bin on the curb for pick-up, but it has been left behind, despite a “PLEASE TAKE” sign scrawled in bold letters....

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A creative Taco Bell franchisee in Indianapolis thought outside the box to warn folks using the drive-thru about dangers of hitting a horizontal pipe extending across the driveway.

Printed on the pipe are these words: “This pipe is 9’3” tall. If you—or your vehicle—should be taller than this, it will ring your bell.”

Forewarned is forearmed....

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My brother, Dr. Fred Newbury, is well-traveled.

When he reflects on the dozens of airlines he has flown, Europe’s Ryan Air ranks at the bottom. (You may recall a few years ago when it proposed charges for use of toilets, and to allow passengers to stand on flights of less than one hour.) Bag charges sometimes exceed ticket costs.

On a recent trip from Marseille to Lisbon, he “sweet-talked” his way to avoidance of an additional charge of 50 Euros for failing to print his own boarding pass!

Now there’s an airline offering “trailing-edge” service....

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# Brenham’s historic Ant Street Inn

The Ant Street Inn is a 15-room boutique hotel in a historic downtown building in Brenham. “It was built in 1899,” says Suzy Hankins, who owns the hotel with her husband Keith. “It had retail stores downstairs and offices and warehouses upstairs. In 1990, the founder of the inn bought the building, renovated it and turned it into the Ant Street Inn.”

Suzy and Keith refer to their property as a bed and breakfast. Guests have a complimentary breakfast in the downstairs restaurant. Free coffee and Bluebell ice cream are available upstairs. Many of the upstairs rooms have doors from the state capital building, which were acquired during the capitol’s updating in the 1980’s. Among other amenities each room has a folding lawn chair that guests can take to outdoor events.

“Every Saturday night in July a different band will come and play on the square,” says Keith. “They close off a downtown street and some guests come specifically to hear the band that might be playing that night.” Suzy says some people come for the weekend and don’t

know about the concerts.

“There’s just not any more ways to sit on around the courthouse. Also with all the parades and festivals that happen in this area, guests seem to really appreciate those chairs.”

The hotel is in the Ant Street Historic District. The lore is that early workers in the factory-type jobs in this area came and left together like a bunch of ants. Actually the hotel is on Commerce Street. Two blocks over is Baylor Street, which was once Ant Street.

Keith had been in the medical insurance business for 20 years. He and Suzy had always wanted to have their own business and six years ago they decided on the Ant Street Inn. “I was working in St. Louis at the time,” says Keith. “When we were shopping for a property I had two criteria: it had to be



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by tumbledweed smith

in Texas and it had to support both of us. We didn’t want to enter into a situation where one of us had to get a job to support the bed and breakfast. We looked at hundreds of properties and the Ant Street Inn fulfilled those requirements. A 4, 5 or if you’re lucky a 7-room bed and breakfast wasn’t going to generate the kind of revenue we knew we would need.”

The Inn has a 4,000 square feet ballroom that is used for all kinds of events. “It can seat up to 250 people comfortably,” says Suzy. “We do wedding receptions, banquets, anniversary parties, pretty much anything the mind can imagine. We can also move the walls around to accommodate small business meetings.”

Since Brenham is between Austin and Houston, it gets travelers from those cities as well as visitors from other counties. “They’re traveling from big city to big city,” says Suzy, “and they stop in Brenham because they want an authentic Texas experience.”

“The phrase we have coined is elegant sanctuary,” says Keith.

# Reader enjoys patriotic photograph

Thank you for putting the most inspiring and patriotic front page photo on the May 25 issue. The photo of the Cub Scouts, their leaders and other volunteers that put out the flags at the cemetery for Memorial Day was truly awesome.

It is wonderful to see the young Scouts standing proud of their assignment well done. We have some future great leaders in this group.

Thanks to them for putting a flag on my husband’s marker at the cemetery.

Joyce Jackson, Lubbock

## Local resident upset about weed sprayer

To the person who came into my yard and driveway and sprayed weeds. Don’t you know I would have done that a long time ago if it had been feasible? I had to get out there and hoe the poisonous weeds, raked them up, and take them to the Dumpster. If it had rained on them and it ran into my backyard, it would have killed everything back there.

Who did you talk to or get permis-

sion from to spray poison on private property. I appreciate your thought, but you did more harm than good. I do hope you stop and think before you do something like that again.

Yes, my yard needs a lot of tender loving care right now, but I haven’t been able to do my yard work in a month.

You know who you are and you know who I am. Please, for everybody’s sake, don’t do that again.

Jewel Judd,  
Clarendon

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## Camp Time

Members of Clarendon's Boy Scout Troop 433 enjoyed a week at Camp MK Brown near Wheeler last week. Shown here are (back) Assistant Scoutmasters Linda Rowland, Jason Eugene, (middle) Tyler Paul, Phineas Eugene, Steven Mills, Darius TerBush, Patrick Monds, (front) Scoutmaster Russell Estlack, Ryan Ragain, Jacob Ragain, Nathan Estlack, and Jacob Murillo.

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## Celebration:

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barbecue will follow the parade at about 11 a.m. Tickets are \$12 each.

Following the parade antique cars and other vehicles are invited to gather on Third Street in front of Keith Floyd's shop for a car show and light refreshments.

The Lions Club will not be having bounce houses this year but are instead bringing back their Cow Patty Bingo following the barbecue.

Parade winners will be announced at 1 p.m. The Henson's Turtle Race will follow at 3 p.m. And the Ranch Rodeo will close out the day at the COEA Arena beginning at 7:30 p.m. with the dance to follow with Dalton Domino providing the music.

Also happening during the celebration weekend, the Whistle-Stop

will have its monthly trade days Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the former Chamberlain Motor Company property. The Whistle-Stop features more than 100 vendors as well as live music, food, and fun for the entire family.

COEA will hold a washer pitching contest Sunday afternoon. Two-person teams can sign-up beginning at noon with the pitching to start at 1 p.m. The entry fee is \$30.

Tuesday, July 4, will be celebrated with the Junior Ranch Rodeo that evening at the COEA Arena. Team entries are still being taken for \$125 each and can be made by calling 806-679-2738.

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## Walker wins men's game, scoring 63

By Sandy Anderberg

Golfer Jeff Walker turned in a net score of 63 to top the field in the weekly men's game at the Clarendon Country Club. Don Hinton won second low net with a 65.

Eleven golfers participated in the Friday night scramble and the team of Joe Minkley, Tracy Duncan, Gene Rogers, and Jennifer Wood came in first place with a five under par.

There will be an 18-hole scramble on Tuesday, July 4 beginning at 1:00 pm.

## DPS opens new Amarillo office

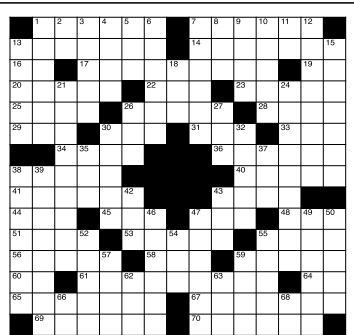
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The new Amarillo Driver License Office is approximately 10,293 square feet, and provides increased capacity, upgraded technology and lanes designated for commercial driver license skills testing.

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### CLUES DOWN

- Pressed against lightly
- Rural delivery
- Semicircular recesses
- Groan
- Donation
- Mariner
- One who accepts
- King Cole, musician
- Streeter
- Silk fabric
- \_\_\_\_\_ route
- Used to make plastics
- Savory coniferous forest
- Angry speeches
- A way to soak
- One who divides
- Deeply cuts
- A very large body of water
- "Raisin in the Sun" actress Ruby
- Medicated
- Single unit

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## ¿Qué Pasa?

Community Calendar

**June 29**  
Town Meeting • 6 p.m. • Bairfield Activity Center

**June 30**  
Saints' Roost Celebration  
Ranch Rodeo • 7:30 p.m. • COEA Arena

Depression Luncheon • 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. • Crossities Ministry Center

**July 1**  
Whistle-Stop Trade Days  
Saints' Roost Celebration

Arts & Craft Fair • 9 a.m. • Court-house Square

Kids' Parade • 9 a.m.

Herring Bank Parade • 10 a.m.

Shiners' Barbecue • 11 a.m. • following parade • Courthouse square

Henson's Turtle Race • 3 p.m. • Downtown Clarendon

Ranch Rodeo • 7:30 p.m. • COEA Arena

**July 2**  
Whistle-Stop Trade Days

**July 4**  
Independence Day

Saints' Roost Celebration  
Junior Ranch Rodeo • 7:30 p.m. • COEA Arena

**July 24**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**July 25**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**July 26**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**July 27**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**July 28**  
Vacation Bible School • 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. • Community Fellowship Church

**August 5**  
Whistle-Stop Trade Days

**August 6**  
Whistle-Stop Trade Days

**September 4**  
Labor Day

**September 10**  
Grandparents' Day

**September 11**  
Patriot Day

**September 23**  
Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff • Saints' Roost Museum • Details TBA

**October 9**  
Columbus Day

**November 7**  
Election Day

**November 11**  
Veterans' Day

**November 23**  
Thanksgiving

## Menus

July 3 - July 7

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Meatball submarine, hominy, Italian mix vegetables, spice cake, sliced peaches, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Holiday  
Wed: Roast beef, roasted potatoes, carrots & pepper, wheat roll, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Beer batter cod, black-eyed peas, coleslaw, fruit salad, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Sloppy Joe on a bun, potato wedges, green beans, peach, iced tea/2% milk.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Swedish meatballs, parsley noodles, mixed vegetables, whole wheat roll, margarine, angel food cake/strawberries, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Holiday  
Wed: Roast pork, sweet potatoes, succotash, whole wheat roll, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Chicken tenders, baked potato w/sour cream, peas & carrots, strawberries/whip cream, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Turkey sandwich, tomatoes, lettuce, pickle, broccoli raisin salad, macaroni/raisin, pineapple delight, iced tea/2% milk.

## Remembering the reason for celebrating

Plans are being finalized for the big July 4 celebration, special shirts, and fireworks are purchased, turtles are hunted for the unique turtle race, and bicycles and floats are decorated. American flags and red, white, and blue are the colors.

What is this celebration about? It's because 241 years ago a country became so angry at the way the treaty were being treated by the mother country they declared they were not taking it any more. Each of the thirteen colonies sent elected representatives to the second Continental Congress in May 1776, and they produced the document that read: "In Congress, July 4, 1776, The Unanimous Declaration of the Thirteen United States of America." American's may not know the first line, "When in the

course of human events it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with each other..." and it continues. The second sentence begins, "We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among them are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

The document isn't long, it was printed on one sheet and was written



**'wick picks**  
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by Thomas Jefferson with assistance of Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Robert R. Livingston, Roger Sherman and others. Fifty-six men signed the declaration and did so knowing they could be arrested and hanged by the British and all their possessions taken by the British.

Do we have people in the United States that would take such a risk today? I'm not sure, the way our leaders fight, they would take a year to decide on the seating around the table.

As we eat our burgers and 'dogs, watch the hometown parade followed by the rodeo, dancing on the slab, and fireworks pause and remember to thank those founding fathers who declared that's enough. Have a safe and fun time.



**the lion's tale**  
by scarlet estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting June 27, 2017, with Boss Lion Tex Buckhaults in charge.

We had 16 members and two guests this week – Bob Weiss, guest of Lion Roger Estlack, and Lion Pamm Dickey, guest of Lion Lauren Graves.

Lion Robert Riza reported on the college, and Lion John Howard reported that stone masons will be looking at the Courthouse this week. Lion Mike Norrell reported the public school had lost its band director but has hired Clint Conkin as athletic director.

Planning for the cow patty bingo this Saturday was discussed in detail, and there will be no Tuesday meeting next week due to it being July 4.

Lion Howard also presented our program, which was an update on the Legislature and efforts to limit local governments' ability to raise property taxes.

There being no further business, we were adjourned to spread Lionism and good cheer throughout our fair county.

### Library plans contest

The Burton Memorial Library is sponsoring a Reading Contest for kids ages 5-12 years old. Great prizes will be awarded to the ones who read the most books in the month of July. Come in to sign up and start reading for fun and prizes. For more information, call 874-3685.

## Training time for this year's big turtle race

Last Thursday and Friday, I got to spend the night at my Aunt Scarlet's house. I had a lot of fun there, and we went to the drive-in to see Cars 3 and took our own furniture to sit in!

This Monday, I went to spend the night at my Aunt Anndy's house. She lives out on a farm outside of Clarendon, and at her place we have my turtle. His name is Flash.

Out of all the turtles we have, he is the fastest. I've been training him so that he will go in a straight line and not stray from that path. I'm doing that because since he's a

fast turtle, I think he would be great at having a chance to win the turtle race this year. My sister's turtle is named Peaches. She's the cleanest, but she's the second fastest.

My cousin Matthew's turtle is named Tractor, and he can go very fast when he's not around people. But if people are around, he goes in to his shell. I've been trying to get him to move and not be shy, but he just ends up eating grass.

Monday night, we made brownies and Rice Krispies. After dinner, I made a tower of dessert with brownies, ice cream, and whipped cream on top.

On Tuesday, we went to see my Nanny in Memphis. I got to meet a lot of people there who really like to read my column, and I want to say "hi" to all of them.

## McMenamy returns to TEXAS

The 52nd season of TEXAS is underway in the Palo Duro Canyon State Park, and a former local man is among the cast of the outdoor musical.

Dennis McMenamy, former Clarendon High School drama teacher, was invited to be a part of this year's show, according to performance spokesperson Allison Simpson.

David Yirak, the managing artist director of the historical drama, says he is pleased with the tremen-

dous level of talent the cast and crew bring to the stage. McMenamy is a valuable asset to the company and has the professional qualities the show requires.

The family-friendly story of TEXAS is adapted from the script written by Pulitzer Prize winning playwright Paul Green with additional dialogue, scenes, and characters by David Yirak.

For tickets and performance dates, visit texas-show.com or call 806-655-2181.

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Whistle-Stop owners Jordan & Kimberly salute this week's legend...

**ALFRED ROWE**

Alfred Rowe was born in 1853 to prosperous English merchants who had business connections and a home in South America. In 1876 he went to the Royal Agricultural College in Gloucestershire, England. Two years later he moved to the United States with a capital of 500 pounds to invest in western grasslands.

He arrived in Donley County from Colorado in 1878 and spent a few months learning the cattle business. Rowe established the RO Ranch on Skillet Creek through the purchase of state scrip and expanded the ranch over the next few years. He was thus one of the few foreign investors actually to settle for a time on his Texas ranch properties.

As a rancher Rowe became well-liked among the cowboys and stockmen by his honesty, high business principles, and genuine interest in the community. The railroad town of Rowe, which was moved to nearby Hedley, was named for him. Rowe met his untimely demise as a passenger on the Titanic in April 1912. It is said that he was a strong swimmer and refused to enter a lifeboat until others were saved.

The Whistle-Stop and the community salute the late Alfred Rowe his pioneer roll in setting Donley County Clarendon. Thank you, sir!

Source: Handbook of Texas Online

**Don't miss Whistle-Stop Trade Days: July 1 & 2**

## TWDB plans virtual road trip

The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB), Texas Historical Commission, and Texas Parks and Wildlife Department are taking a summer road trip – and everyone is invited.

The state agencies be on the lookout for two iconic and important Texas water symbols that help define the story of Texas water: windmills and water towers.

Windmills helped populate our great state by making water available in areas not supported by rivers and springs. They remind us that the water beneath our feet continues to sustain vast swaths of the state now and in the future.

Water towers often depict local civic pride and give us a window into the heart of a community. They

remind us that our water supply is finite and must be used responsibly. Texans can join the virtual road trip by posting their own photos of #TXwindmills and #TXwatertowers to Instagram. The agencies will be sharing photos and information throughout the month of July and featuring submitted photos, too.

Those who participate will have the chance to win prizes when a random drawing is held at the end of the campaign.

To participate: Follow @txwaterdevelopment, @txhistcomm, and @txparkswildlife on Instagram. Post your photos of #TXwindmills and #TXwatertowers (make sure your profile is public). Mention the location and tag the Texas Water Development Board.

## Sheriff's Report

June 19, 2017

9:30 a.m. – Out @ Courthouse

11:10 a.m. – EMS assist 400 block

Burkhead

11:25 p.m. – Loose livestock HWY

203 & Co Rd 28

12:46 p.m. – EMS assist Ambulance

3:44 p.m. – EMS assist Ambulance

6:02 p.m. – Courtesy ride to Hall

County

6:47 p.m. – EMS assist 200 block

East 6th

10:03 p.m. – To jail with one in cus-

tody

June 20, 2017

12:20 a.m. – Welfare check – 600

block West 3rd

4:18 p.m. – EMS assist Mutual Aid

with Lefors

5:06 p.m. – EMS assist Eastbound

Rest Area I-40

6:53 p.m. – EMS assist Baseball

Field

10:24 p.m. – EMS assist 500 block

West 6th

June 21, 2017

9:58 a.m. – See caller 600 block Col-

linson

12:44 p.m. – EMS assist Ambulance

Station

2:26 p.m. – EMS assist 800 block

South Kearney

2:44 p.m. – EMS assist 600 block

Burkhead

8:39 p.m. – See caller 100 block

West 7th

9:53 p.m. – To jail with one in cus-

tody

9:54 p.m. – To jail with one in cus-

tody

June 22, 2017

9:55 a.m. – EMS assist 500 block

West 6th

11:07 a.m. – See complainant @

Sheriff's Office

1:15 p.m. – See caller 400 block East

Wood

2:20 p.m. – To jail one in custody

2:21 p.m. – To jail one in custody

6:19 p.m. – See caller 400 East Wood

June 23, 2017

3:10 a.m. – Units paged 2 vehicle

10/50 I-40 Westbound

7:34 p.m. – Reports of gunshots

North part of Clarendon

8:28 p.m. – See caller 300 block

South Jackson

8:31 p.m. – EMS assist 500 block

South Leroy

June 24, 2017

5:04 a.m. – Welfare check 500 block

East 4th

9:45 a.m. – See complainant @

Sheriff's Office

11:43 a.m. – See caller 1100 Block

West 8th

10:48 p.m. – EMS assist 200 block

Dixie Drive

June 25, 2017

12:01 a.m. – To jail with one in cus-

tody

12:37 a.m. – Units paged vehicle

accident 287 & Koogle

1:21 p.m. – To jail with one in cus-

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10:51 p.m. – EMS assist location not

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## House Leaders dig in on school choice

By Aliyya Swaby, The Texas Tribune

The top House education leader said Sunday that "private school choice" is still dead in the lower chamber.

"We only voted six times against it in the House," House Public Education Committee Chairman Dan Huberty said. "There's nothing more offensive as a parent of a special-needs child than to tell me what I think I need. I'm prepared to have that discussion again. I don't think [the Senate] is going to like it — because now I'm pissed off."

Huberty, R-Houston, told a crowd of school administrators at a panel at the University of Texas at Austin that he plans to restart the conversation on school finance in the July-August special session after the Senate and House hit a stalemate on the issue late during the regular session. Huberty's bill pumping \$1.5 billion into public schools died after the Senate appended a "private school choice" measure, opposed by the House.

Huberty was joined by Education Committee Vice Chairman Diego Bernal, D-San Antonio, and committee member Gary VanDeaver, R-New Boston, on a panel hosted by the Texas Association of School Administrators, where they said they didn't plan to give in to the Senate on the contentious bill subsidizing private tuition for kids with special needs.

Gov. Greg Abbott has called legislators back to Austin for a July-August special session to tackle a hefty 20-item agenda that includes several public education issues that the Senate and House could not agree on during the legislative session. Huberty, Bernal and VanDeaver on Sunday refused to budge politically from where they stood on major education issues during the regular session.

"I pretty much stand where I

stood then," VanDeaver said.

Educators argue private school choice saps money from the public school system, while proponents say it offers low-income parents choices beyond the limited scope of the public education system.

That position could put the representatives in private school choice advocates' crosshairs as they gear up for re-election in 2018. Huberty, already a target of efforts to unseat him in the next Republican primary, called it an "onslaught" against public education.

VanDeaver said educators have two options: They can give in to the Senate's attempts to attach school finance and private school choice, or they can vote against legislators who want those issues linked.

"If you don't stick up for yourselves in a real way ... we are going to lose," Bernal added.

Abbott put several public education bills on the special session agenda, to be addressed only after the Senate passes current "sunset" bills that would keep several state agencies, including the Texas Medical Board, operating during the next budget cycle.

Huberty said providing public schools with additional revenue is the only way to decrease local property taxes, another priority of the governor on the agenda for special session.

Educators have argued school districts must push for higher taxes because the state is underfunding public schools. Huberty said he did not know if he would re-file the exact same piece of school finance legislation the House passed in the spring.

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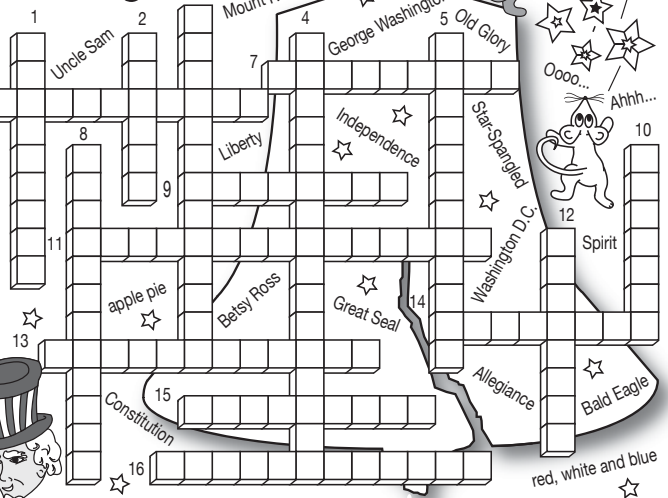


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## Tech Chancellor testifies in ag hearing

Texas Tech University System Chancellor Robert Duncan testified before the US House Committee on Agriculture in a full-committee public hearing on university research investments in the next farm bill last Thursday morning in Washington, DC.

The committee invited university leaders from across the nation to testify about opportunities and challenges faced in agricultural production and research, and the role of universities in agriculture sustainability. Duncan was the only chancellor from a system or university to participate in the hearing.

"The importance of U.S. agriculture is a nexus of our economic viability, national security and human health," Duncan said during his five-minute testimony.

"Agricultural outputs are going to need to increase to keep pace with a growing population, but this cannot come at the expense of natural resources or the environment. Investments in innovation and research are required to meet and exceed our needs."

Duncan represented the general academic institutions of the Texas Tech University System, Texas Tech University (TTU) and Angelo State University (ASU). Both schools are home to non-land-grant colleges of agriculture located in the nation's epicenter of food and fiber production.

Congressman K. Michael Conaway, whose district includes ASU in San Angelo, the TTU campus in Junction, and the Midland and Odessa campuses of Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC), is the chairman of the agriculture committee.

"Research is the driving force behind American agricultural innovation," said Chairman Conaway. "The Texas Tech University System has a proven track record as a highly respected research institution, and it was a pleasure to hear from Chancellor Duncan on the importance of continuing public investment in agricultural research."

While our nation's serious budget issues must be addressed, we must do so without jeopardizing our status as the world leader in cutting-edge agricultural research."

The committee began discussion about leveraging federal funding through state and private dollars, and specifically referenced Texas Tech University's partnership with Bayer Crop Science.

"In the state of Texas we created the Texas Research Incentive Program. It is a program where research universities are awarded matching funds from the state based on how much an institution raises in private gifts and endowments to enhance research activities," Duncan said. "This is very attractive to private partnerships and allowed us to leverage the partnership with Bayer Crop Science to establish the \$15 million teaching and research Bayer Plant Science Building. Not too long ago, we received two major gifts from Teys Australia and Cargill, which will also be matched through TRIP funds, to support research in meat science."

In his testimony, Duncan highlighted the importance of continuous, predictable funds to build research capacity through faculty and infrastructure support at non-land-grant institutions to increase the competitiveness of these institutions when applying for federal research grants.

The 2017 requested annual research budget of the U.S. Department of Agriculture is \$2.9 billion, which Duncan notes is disproportionately less than other federal research programs.

The National Science Foundation has \$8 billion, NASA has \$10 billion, the Department of Energy has \$12.6 billion and the National Institutes of Health has a \$33.1 billion research budget.

"We eat food every day. Food safety, food security and the ability to produce high quality food at a low cost – something we've been used to for all of our lives – will play a significant role in making contributions to the overall health and security of our nation," said Duncan.

In 2015, Texas Tech University was ranked No. 1 among non-land grant colleges of agriculture in the National Science Foundation's rankings for higher education agricultural research and development.

The farm bill serves as the primary agricultural and food policy tool of the federal government. In the hearing, committee members stressed the importance of streamlining and prioritizing agricultural research in the next farm bill to continue advancement of industry and agriculture security while being mindful of existing budget restraints.



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Arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Memphis.

Benjamin Franklin Smith was born on July 7, 1956, in Memphis to Rev. Judge Elliott Smith and Rosie Minter Smith.

He married Gloria Calloway on August 24, 1974, in Clarendon. He was resident for most of his life where he was a member of the Antioch Baptist Church. He was a veteran of the United States Army. He loved singing, reading, fishing, playing music, and spending time with his family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; 2 brothers Alonzo Smith and

Charles Smith; 4 sisters Helen Knox, Verdia Steptoe, Mannie Smith, and Anna Smith.

He is survived by his wife Gloria Smith of Amarillo; 9 children Judge Smith III of Amarillo, Rodney Smith and wife Alverta of Amarillo, Clemmie Smith and wife Amanda of Amarillo, Eric Smith and wife Christa of Amarillo, Erica Smith of Amarillo, Christopher Smith and wife Casey of Amarillo, Chrystal Smith of Amarillo, Benjamin Smith IV of Amarillo, and Jordan Herndon of Clarendon; 3 brothers Rev. Judge Smith Jr. of Wichita Falls, Rev. Clemmie Smith of Wichita Falls, and Daniel Smith of Memphis; 2 sisters Mae Smith Newsome of Wichita Falls and Elizabeth Walker of Wichita Falls; 35 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren; and a host of family and friends

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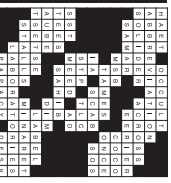
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