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

Baseball sign-ups set for this week

The Clarendon Baseball Association will be holding sign-ups for youth baseball players and softball this week.

Players ages nine and up can register Wednesday and Thursday, March 6 and March 7, at the Bronco Gym from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Chamber social to be held next week

The Clarendon Chamber of Commerce will hold its next Business After Hours and its first Totally Locally \$500 drawing at the Saints' Roost Museum next Thursday, March 14.

The come-and-go event will be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. and will provide Chamber members and prospective members an opportunity to learn more about what's happening in the local business community. Refreshments will be served.

In addition to learning more about the Museum, one of the highlights of the March After Hours will be the Chamber's first Totally Locally drawing. Shoppers can sign up for the drawing at ten local stores, and one will win \$500 in Clarendon Cash at the After Hours.

A list of participating businesses and more information is on the ad on page eight of this week's Enterprise.

Shattered dreams program planned

The Clarendon High School Student Council will host a Shattered Dreams program Monday, March 18, at 1:30 p.m. in field by CISD's Laura's Legacy Center.

The program is conducted in partnership with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, the Texas Department of Transportation, and local first responders and is about drinking and driving and living and dying.

The "Shattered Dreams" program involves the dramatization of an alcohol-related crash on or near a high school campus, complete with police and EMS response, emergency room treatment, family notifications, and the arrest and booking of the driver.

According to information from the school, the program reminds everyone that too many young lives have already been lost and countless others severely impaired because of the tragic consequences of underage drinking and drinking combined with driving.



Totally Locally!

Country Bloomers Flowers & Gifts owner Courtney Monroe stands with the Totally Locally sign-up box at her store as part of the new program being promoted by the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce. One customer from one of ten participating businesses will win \$500 in Clarendon Cash next week at the Chamber's After Hours event. Shoppers can also win \$500 in June, August, and December. Other local businesses participating in Totally Locally include A Fine Feathered Nest, Clarendon Outpost, Cornell's Country Store, Every Nook & Cranny, Floyd's Automotive Supply, Henson's, J&W Lumber, Saye's Tack Store, and Turquoise & Rust.

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Registration open for annual Lions 5K race

Registration is now open for the seventh annual Chance Mark Jones Roar & Run 5K, which will be held Saturday, April 13 at Clarendon College.

The Clarendon Lions Club is hosting the event to coincide with Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Those interested in running or walking the 5K (about 3.1 miles) are encouraged to sign up before April 1 to take advantage of the early bird discount.

Registration costs \$25, but

those who sign up early save \$5. Signing up by April 1 also guarantees participants the official 5K t-shirt.

The year's race will start and end on the Clarendon College campus and will run through the city, around Prospect Park, which is the home of the Lions' Chance Mark Jones Memorial Playground, and past several historic structures, including the Donley County Courthouse, the First United Methodist Church, and the S.W.

Lowe House.

The race will begin at 9 a.m. Race registrations are available at the Clarendon Visitor Center at the Mulkey Theatre, at the Enterprise, or online at <https://bit.ly/2IxyzNy>.

Sponsorships are also available, and potential sponsors are also asked to sign up by April 1 to ensure their names are on this year's T-shirt.

Proceeds will go towards the many charitable activities of the Clarendon Lions Club, which

includes eyeglasses for local school kids, Christmas baskets for local families, hosting the local office of The Bridge – Children's Advocacy Center, local scholarships, continued park improvements, and monetary support for other local charities.

For more information, contact Lion Ashlee Estlack at ashlee.estlack@gmail.com or 806-662-4687 or Lion Roger Estlack at publisher@clarendonlive.com or 806-874-2259.

City gives notice on dangerous buildings

The City of Clarendon is going after more dilapidated structures in its continuing effort to clean up the community.

City Administrator David Dockery said this week that aldermen identified six properties as dangerous and substandard during the council's last regular meeting Thursday, February 28.

City Hall is notifying the owners of those properties this week before making that list public, the administrator said.

The owners of the properties will be asked to come to a public hearing on Thursday, April 18, with the city's Building Standards Commission (which is made up entire of the city council) in order to discuss how those properties might be brought into compliance.

In other city business last Thursday, aldermen approved amending the ordinance that governs the city's Airport Zoning Advisory Commission to appoint its own chairman from its membership.

The council met in closed session for 39 minutes to discuss real property. After returning to open session, the council voted to authorize an appraisal of one property and also voted to allow Dockery to make an offer on a second property.

Dockery reported that Kimberly Cooper had been hired as the city's new utility clerk and said city employee Raul Mendoza had completed his water license.

Court hears one local plea

One local case was heard when the district court met in Childress Friday, February 22.

Michael Andrew Bray pleaded guilty and was placed on deferred adjudication community supervision for two years for the Class A misdemeanor offense of unlawful use of a criminal instrument.

Bray, 22 from Wylie, was arrested in Donley County by DPS Trooper Spencer Berry on January 19, 2018. Bray pled to information filed by the state on July 5.

Pursuant to the plea agreement, Bray was required to pay a fine of \$4,000, \$458 in court costs, \$180 in drug lab restitution, and complete 100 hours of community service. If he violates probation, he could face a year in the Donley County Jail.

Colleges: Tax reform may lead to tuition hikes

By Shannon Najmabadi, Texas Tribune
Additional Reporting by Roger Estlack,
The Clarendon Enterprise

The community colleges that educate about half the state's higher education students are warning of possible tuition hikes if the Texas Legislature enacts its sweeping property tax proposal.

The high-priority legislation would slow the growth of property tax revenue, which makes up an average 40 percent of community colleges' funding, according to an association that represents them. The

share for state appropriations for the schools, meanwhile, has plummeted from 66 percent in the 1980s to near 23 percent today.

Clarendon College President Robert Riza testified on the issue before the House Ways & Means Committee last Wednesday, February 27.

"Community colleges have three streams of revenue," Dr. Riza said this week. "We have state appropriations, which makes up about 40 percent of our budget and we have no control over, property

taxes, and tuition and fees."

Riza said a 2.5 percent cap on raising property taxes for Clarendon means the college could only raise \$14,500 without going to the voters.

"Tuition and fees is other stream," Riza said. "I'm not a fan of balancing the budget on the backs of students; but when the two other streams are out of your control, there is only one thing you can do."

Touted by Republican leaders as a needed check on spiraling property tax bills, the proposal would require taxing units to receive voter

approval before raising property tax revenue 2.5 percent more than the previous year. It would apply to municipalities and special districts for hospitals and community colleges – and, depending on yet-to-be-filed legislation, to school districts, which levy the bulk of property taxes statewide. New developments don't count toward the 2.5-percent cap.

Critics say it could hinder municipal officials' ability to provide public services or lower cities' bond ratings. But as currently drafted, it could have a more demonstrable

impact on the state's 50 community college districts, which together charge one of the lowest average tuition rates in the country.

Between 2013 and 2017, 47 of the 50 college districts – 94 percent – saw their property tax revenue grow more than 2.5 percent in at least one year. According to data from the Texas Association of Community Colleges, which has taken a neutral position on the bill, 31 of those schools would have exceeded the trigger point in at least three of the

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Globalization is a fact and here to stay

By Ryan Bourne, Cato Institute

Don't laugh, Brexiteers. But Tony Blair was in Washington DC this week lecturing Americans on the need "to argue the case for democracy from first principles". In a think tank speech pushing "moderate" politics, the former prime minister and now "People's Vote" champion was at his triangulating worst, particularly on Brexit.

Asked how he would counteract current "populist" moods, Blair spoke of addressing "grievances" that led to the UK's referendum result. That means "dealing with" immigration, he said boldly, in his characteristically unspecific way. The former PM still, amazingly, seems unable to conceive that anyone might want to leave the EU for constitutional or political reasons.

As ever with the former Labour leader though, survive the sound bites and eventually you'll hear a pearl of wisdom setting him apart from most current MPs. Blair's recognition of the importance of technological forces set to transform politics and society was a refreshing change from our usual dull political debates. But it was on global economics where he was perhaps at his most profound. Echoing other speeches, he once again observed that "globalization is a force of nature, not a policy: it is a fact".

He's right. A central failure of Western politics is the presumption there is a political answer to all issues. That everything is the result of some government decision or plan. Globalization is no different. Opponents of "globalism" like to pin the blame of our ills on policy. Trade deals and liberalization, it is said, have helped hollow out industry. Migration policy failures have transformed communities and put pressure on public services. Corbynistas say free capital flows have contributed to a transient, short-termist business sector, and one that would constrain the party's ability to deliver the activist state its supporters desire.

There is partial truth in all this, of course. Trade protectionism has fallen significantly in recent decades and the extension of free movement to eastern European economies within the EU did result in huge inflows to Britain. Policy across Western states was indeed predicated on integration and the resulting specialization of economies, based on strong evidence this would enhance prosperity. That, inevitably, affects industries' structures and business ownership patterns.

Yet Blair is right that globalization is about so much more than policy. The greater economic interconnectedness we see reflects the free decisions of people in the face of new technologies as much as the actions of governments. Though states shape all sorts of personal decisions through policy, the increased cross-pollination of ideas resulting from culture, travel, study and the internet is not something that can be reversed or boxed away. Globalization is thus a reality, not a set of policies.

Consider some remarkable trends. According to the OECD, the number of foreign students engaged in higher education worldwide has risen dramatically from two million in 1999 to over five million in 2016. That has enhanced the exchange of culture and ideas. UN data show the number of outbound students of certain populous countries increasing particularly rapidly. China and India, for example, saw 120,000 and 54,000 people leave to study abroad in 1998. By 2013, that had jumped to 712,000 and 182,000. Even the US saw a rise from 38,000 to 60,000 over that period.

As disposable incomes have increased and transport costs fallen, global tourism has boomed too. World Tourism Organization data show a 138 percent increase in the number of people worldwide travelling to a foreign country between 1995 and 2016.

Social media is perhaps the best example of this networking effect. As of June 2017, it was estimated that 26 percent of the global population has a Facebook account. Companies are now using these platforms to advertise products and build new markets overseas. These networks, for better or worse, are also shaping politics. They have provided communication outlets for revolutions, as in Tunisia, and have proven a useful vehicle to provide insights on the ground from the human catastrophe in Venezuela.

Populist forces might well see success in their push back against the trade and migration policies of the past two decades. As Bank of England Governor Mark Carney warned last week, the world might now be set for a period of deglobalization on trade given the possibility of a no-deal Brexit and the ongoing US-China trade war. But any government would find it extraordinarily difficult to take away the ability to travel, study, interact and freely exchange information from those who have already tasted that freedom.

On this, Tony Blair is surely correct. Where globalization is concerned, the genie is out of the bottle. Global integration will continue shaping our economy and our politics, whether we like it or not.

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Leaders who are greatly missed

One was nationally renowned, known for the spoken word – the other, for words written down.

The former was radio newsman Paul Harvey; the latter – as eloquent in print as Harvey was on the airways – was William Arthur Ward.

They were genuine to the core. During these days when too much is called “fake news,” these inspirational giants deserve “top shelf” status, the kind one could take to the bank....

Both were day-brighteners, and they both died in this season of the year – Harvey, age 90, died a decade ago on February 28 and Ward, 72, a quarter-century ago on March 30.

Ward and Harvey were both as humble as they were gifted, and their words spread across America and beyond, thanks to radio and the printing press.

Harvey, a mainstay at ABC News in Chicago, offered radio commentary twice daily. It is remembered for his Rest of the Story. Ward, best known in Fort Worth, TX, served in various capacities – including Assistant to the President – during his 40 years at Fort Worth's Texas Wesleyan University....

They were passionate about word selection, committed to using as few as possible. Harvey signed off each newscast with a hearty, “Good day,” and

Ward claimed an inch or two of front page space in afternoon editions of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

It carried the same headline daily, “Think It Over.”

Oh, for them to be in harness today!

It would be the equivalent of the late Kate Smith's belting out “God Bless America” on every street corner in the land....

I clearly remember Dr. Ward's funeral service. It was on a Saturday morning, which meant folks who really wanted to attend could do so.

There was no need for concern about attendance. First United Methodist Church, one of Fort Worth's largest worship venues, was packed out.

Coming to mind during this triumphant funeral service was lunch a few years earlier with Dr. Ward at his beloved TWU. As I pulled into the parking lot, Dr. Harvey was winding up his midday commentary. I paused before leaving my car when he said, “And this closing thought from the wondrous pen of Dr. William Arthur Ward.”....



the idle american
by don newbury

Ward's passing left a void in the pages of many well-known publications, including the Readers' Digest. Words of both men live after them, many of Dr. Ward's in several books – including many on coffee tables throughout the land. His Thoughts of a Christian Optimist remains a favorite.

I welcome the opportunity to mark these milestones of their passing.

They were, by all measures, inspirational to a nation....

It is absolutely worthwhile to revisit works of both. Check with “Mr. Google.”

This is my all-time Ward favorite: “Before you speak, listen. Before you write, think. Before you spend, earn. Before you invest, investigate. Before you criticize, wait. Before you pray, forgive. Before you quit, try. Before you retire, save. Before you die, give....

I thank God for men like Drs. Harvey and Ward.

They could easily have thought only of themselves.

Instead, they thought of others....

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Public records act needs repairs

AmericanStatesman Editorial Board

It's your money. You deserve to know how it was spent — and whether you got what was promised.

Yet the Texas Supreme Court's 2015 Boeing decision has been contorted to try to block taxpayers from seeing the details of hundreds of government arrangements with private firms, including a power plant contract for the most expensive project in Denton's history, a headhunter's list of Austin city manager candidates and, most famously, the price tag for a taxpayer-funded Enrique Iglesias concert in McAllen.

Lawmakers have a duty this session to close this gaping hole in the Texas Public Information Act. We urge them to support the bipartisan legislation by Sen. Kirk Watson, D Austin, and Rep. Giovanni Capriglione, RSouthlake, to protect the public's right to see how their dollars are spent.

The measure, filed as Senate Bill 943 and House Bill 2189, spells out

public records protections that should be common sense. When a government agency contracts with a private firm, the public has a right to see the final price tag, the timeline for the work, the essential components of the job and any documentation showing whether the work was properly completed, among other things.

That shouldn't be too much to ask. But the bill is necessary because the overreaching Boeing decision, arising from a case involving the aerospace giant's lease at the Port Authority of San Antonio, took vast swaths of government contract information off the table if the private firm objected to its release.

As the Statesman's Sean Collins Walsh recently reported, the Texas attorney general has cited the Boeing ruling in more than 2,600 decisions on records requests, withholding information from the public in the vast majority of cases (though, notably, the

AG denied Austin's efforts to apply the exemption to the 2017 city manager search, albeit a month after the new manager was selected).

If the Boeing decision hacked away public access to information using a machete, Watson's bill provides a scalpel to properly carve out only a contractor's competitive business information. The Texas Association of Business' objection that SB 943 would jeopardize companies' "sensitive, confidential proprietary information" is empty bluster: The bill clearly protects businesses from disclosing corporate secrets.

A government of the people cannot operate in the dark, with taxpayers writing blank checks to support work they cannot see. Lawmakers should put the brakes on the runaway train that has been the Boeing decision, and instead welcome taxpayers on board to take a window seat.

Omar shows anti-Semitism again

By Noab Elam

On Thursday of last week, Democratic Representative of Minnesota Ilhan Omar was taped engaging in anti-Semitism with her supporters. She appeared alongside fellow anti-semite Democratic Representative of Michigan Rashida Tlaib speaking to the crowd of people. Omar stated, “What I’m fearful of – because Rashida and I are Muslim – that a lot of our Jewish colleagues...go to thinking that everything we say about Israel to be anti-Semitic because we are Muslim....So for me, I want to talk about the political influence in this country that says it is okay to push for allegiance to a foreign country [Israel].”

Democratic Representative of New York Eliot Engel, who is Jewish, condemned Omar saying her comments were “vile”, “anti-Semitic”, “outrageous”, and “deeply hurtful”. Fellow Democratic Representative of New York Nita Lowey, who is Jewish as well, also condemned Omar for her

statement tweeting “Lawmakers must be able to debate w/o prejudice or bigotry. I am saddened that Rep. Omar continues to mischaracterize support for Israel. I urge her to retract this statement and engage in further dialogue with the Jewish community on why these comments are so hurtful.”

Omar responded to the tweet with “Our democracy is built on debate, Congresswoman! I should not be expected to have allegiance/pledge support to a foreign country in order to serve my country in Congress or serve on committee. The people of the 5th elected me to serve their interest. I am sure we agree on that!”

Proposing that Jewish Americans are pushing for “allegiance” to Israel is a blatant anti-Semitic trope. Suggesting that they are loyal to Israel instead of the US is wrong. People support Israel because they are the only democracy in the Middle East, which provides the

US with a good partnership in the area, and share many of the same qualities as the US. It doesn't make sense that US citizens are unloyal to their own country that they live in and are only loyal to Israel instead.

Even though some democrats are against her, that won't stop Omar. The reason Omar can get away with this anti-Semitism is because of the lack of national news media and democratic leadership criticism. In fact, Omar was next to Nancy Pelosi on the cover of Rolling Stone. National news outlets appropriately condemned Iowa Representative Steve King for his statement about white nationalism. So why can't they do the same for anti-Semitism? Because there is obvious mainstream news media bias in favor of far-left democrats, and as long as this keeps happening anti-Semitic statements like Omar's will continue to be viewed as just debate and not what it truly is.

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Arts Club holds monthly meeting

On March 1, Les Beaux Arts Club held its monthly meeting at Community Fellowship Church. The meeting was called to order by Acting President, Jan Campbell. The hostesses for this meeting were Gay Cole, Markeeta Howard, Susie Shields, Greta Byers, Evelyn Mann, and Haley Shelton.

A delicious lunch was served and enjoyed by all in attendance. A colorful Spring theme was used to decorate the meeting room. The program was presented by Amy Thornberry, the Club Historian. She did an excellent tribute to the founders of Les Beaux Arts Club. Due to time constraints, she only

covered the first 18 months of the History of the club, but in coming years she will be able to expound further. The club was founded by Mrs. Headrick, a teacher, and her friend, Mrs. J.W. Evans, who was head of the Art Department at Clarendon College along with others who first met on January 15, 1927. At this meeting they unanimously voted to organize and elected Miss Ella Beth McCrary for the first historian. She depicted an in depth history of the club as they strove to beautify Clarendon, of which they gave away 500 packages of red zinnia seed in an effort to make Clarendon a little brighter. It was stated they were

indebted to the Clarendon News and to Mr. Estlack who printed the seed envelopes and publicity both free of charge to the club.

Great effort was made by this club to bring cultural arts and beauty to the community of Clarendon. The club is grateful to these women for their foresight and vision for seeing the need. From this beginning, Les Beaux Arts Club has been in existence for 92 years. This was very informative and was thoroughly enjoyed by all the members. Pat White and Carolyn Butler were welcomed into club as new members. The next meeting will be April 5 at the Turkey Historic Hotel in Turkey.



The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting March 5, 2019, with Boss Lion John Howard in charge.

We had 10 members and Sweethearts Jenci Hernandez and Emily Johnson present this week.

Our thoughts and prayers continue to be with Lion Landon Lambert's brother for a speedy recovery following a motor vehicle accident.

The Boss Lion reported that work on the trees at the Courthouse continues, and Lion Robert Riza reported that college teams are playing makeup games from this past weekend.

The Boss Lion also encouraged members to bring guests to the weekly meetings. The club has been around since 1922, and we want to be awesome and ferocious for our 100th anniversary.

Lion Jacob Fangman gave our program on work going on at St. Mary's church. They are abating asbestos as a step towards demolishing the old church, which was damaged by an auto collision. Elements from the old building will be used in a new church, and fundraisers are being held to support that project.

Fangman also said there will be a city ballot in May to redirect a portion of the sales tax to street repairs.

The club voted to not meet next week as several members will be gone on spring break.

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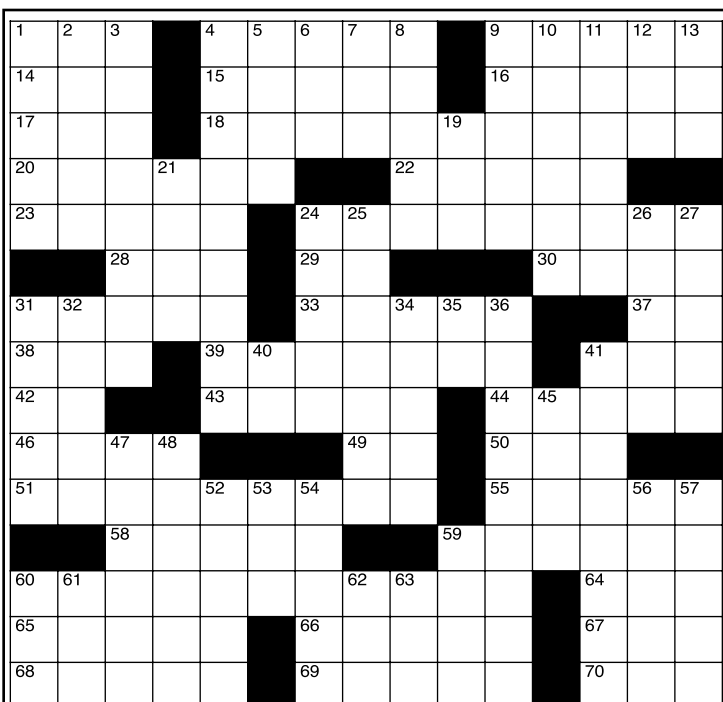
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| 10. Observed something remarkable | 52. Irregular as though nibbled away |
| 11. One who obeys | 53. Neither |
| 12. ___ de sac | 54. Copyreads |
| 13. Sign language | 56. Edward ___, British composer |
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| 21. Right-hand man | 59. Launched Apollo |
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Community Calendar

March 8
Broncos Baseball v Palo Duro JV • Home • 3:00 p.m.

March 14
Broncos Baseball v San Jacinto • Away • 1:00 p.m.

March 15
Broncos Baseball v Kress • Away • 1:00 p.m.

March 30
CC Invitational Judging Contest

April 6 & 7
Whistle-Stop Trade Days

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Menus
March 11 - 15

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Meatloaf/tomato sauce, green snap peas, buttered squash, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Chicken fajitas, green peppers, onion, corn, Spanish rice, fruit cocktails, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, wheat rolls, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Charbroil beef patty, pepper & onions grilled, baked potatoes, buttered corn, wheat roll, sliced peaches, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: BBQ chicken, garden salad, tater tots, wheat bread, chocolate cake, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Creamy mushroom steak, mashed potatoes, peas & carrots, whole wheat roll, margarine, emerald peas, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Chicken ala king, rice, California blend vegetables, spinach mushroom salad, wheat roll, chocolate cookies, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Polish sausage & cabbage, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread, peaches, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Beef soft tacos, Spanish rice, broccoli, seasoned corn, mandarin w/topping, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Sloppy Joe on bun, country potato salad, carrots & zucchini, creamy fruit square, iced tea/2% milk.

TxDOT urges drivers to plan for sober rides

AUSTIN – Spring Break is a dangerous time on Texas roads, with hundreds of impaired driving crashes involving young drivers occurring each year. As college students and young adults head to Spring Break destinations in the coming weeks, the Texas Department of Transportation’s “Plan While You Can” campaign reminds them to make a plan for a sober ride before the party starts.

“Drinking alcohol and driving can severely impact a young person’s future. Many promising lives are cut short due to the poor decision to drink alcohol and drive,” said TxDOT Executive Director James Bass. “We urge young drivers to make responsible choices during the Spring Break holiday. Before heading out, please plan ahead for a sober ride to ensure you get to and from your destination safely.”

During last year’s Spring Break in Texas, there were 444 crashes involving young drivers who were driving under the influence of alcohol. Those crashes killed 11 and seriously injured another 37.

The “Plan While You Can” campaign includes a statewide tour featuring the new “Plan to Win” virtual reality game where participants are a part of an immersive trivia game which poses questions related to drinking alcohol and driving, and also demonstrates the consequences of drunk driving. Players avoid “jail” by answering questions correctly, and winners progress to a waiting taxi to receive a safe and sober ride.

While drivers under the influence risk killing or seriously injuring themselves or others, they also face up to \$17,000 in fines and fees, jail time and loss of their driver’s license. Visit SoberRides.org to find alternatives to drinking alcohol and driving, such as: Designating a sober driver or calling someone for a sober ride home; Contacting a cab or ride-share service.

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Remembering the Texas revolution

Oh, my! It is not too uncommon to wake up to 10° with wind chill minus zero in the month of January, but in March? That is what happened Monday morning with a very light sprinkling of snow. Needless to say, Ole Jim and I are staying inside, and Buffy the Wonder Dog is wishing she didn’t have to go out. Soon we will be complaining about the heat. I hope we have some rain before that happens.

The month of March begins with a busy week, March 2 or Texas Independence Day, is important to all Texans. Without that declaration, we would not be a state as we know it.

In 1836, a Convention had been called for, and on March 1 a group of men met in Washington (which is now known as Washington-on-

the-Brazos) to discuss the fate of Texas. The Alamo was under siege and things looked bleak for Texas, so a committee was appointed to draw up a document declaring independence from Mexico.

Those five men, George C. Childress, Edward Conrad, James Gaines, Bailey Hardeman, and Collin McKinney, (many of those names are familiar) worked all night and, using the U.S. Declaration of Independence as a guide, they presented the completed document on the morning of March 2. After



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Planning for a fun break for spring

So, as we all know spring break is next week, and so I thought I would talk about what my plans were for the break.

I always try to spend spring break in a fun resting way, but I could be cleaning. I don’t know.

I’m planning an even bigger and cooler box fort than last time, and I think spring break would be the perfect time to build it. Since my little cousins, Matthew and Monroe, are coming to spend the

night, I thought it would be the perfect surprise for them if they could help us build it. They could hang out in it with us.

Cousin Matthew was also obsessed with my previous box fort. Even though he was only in it for a few



the cub reporter
by benjamin estlack

PGCD promotes groundwater awareness

WHITE DEER – Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District’s (PGCD) mission is to develop, promote and implement water conservation, augmentation and management strategies to protect water resources for the benefit of the citizens, economy and environment of the District.

March 10th kicks off National Groundwater Awareness Week, PGCD wants you to join us in recognizing ways we all can improve in our water conservation efforts.

PGCD’s Top Five Water Conservation Tips:

Stop leaks – check all indoor

and outdoor faucets at least twice a year. A faucet losing one drip per second can waste up to 10,000 gallons of water per year.

Water yards early in the morning or late at night to reduce evaporation.

Shortening your shower time to five minutes not only conserves water, but also helps lower your water bill.

Most washing machines use the same amount of water per load, waiting until you have a full load of clothes to wash is the best way to use water efficiently.

With summer quickly

a few minor changes the paper was signed by 56 delegates from all districts of the state.

The world knows the story of the Alamo, which spurred the battle cry, “Remember the Alamo” and helped end the war at the Battle of San Jacinto on April 21, 1836.

Texas was an independent nation known as the Republic of Texas for nine years before joining the United States as the 28th state on February 19, 1845.

What brave and determined men and women who paved the way for our Texas as we now know it. Thank you, pioneers. I am proud to be a Texan!

Sunday, March 10, is the beginning of Daylight Saving Time so set your clocks forward one hour and don’t be late for church.

minutes, he loved it and made a box fort of his own and slept in it. He had a calendar on the inside with a window and a door it was pretty cool.

I also plan to go to Lions Club and to work on Tuesday because I rarely get to anymore.

That is pretty much all I want to do this spring break and I will probably think of something else to do but with that I’m going to conclude this weekly column.

Panhandle PBS to debut new weekly series

“The Handle,” a new newsmagazine program, will debut at 7 p.m. March 7. It will air weekly for eight weeks at 7 p.m. Thursdays, encoring at midnight Saturdays (late Fridays) and 4:30 p.m. Sundays.

“‘The Handle’ will celebrate what makes our region unique,” producer Karen Welch said. “So often, people here believe they’re ordinary when they’re really quite extraordinary.

This new 30-minute weekly television series intends to open the eyes of its audience to the

possibilities right in our midst.”

The series will offer thoughtful, in-depth feature stories about people, businesses and the arts from all around the area, as well as interviews about relevant issues in the region and discussions and forums recorded in the Panhandle PBS studio and other locations.

Episodes often will feature segments called “The Goods,” which shine a spotlight on chefs, food producers and bartenders around the area who are spearheading the local farm-to-table movement.

Those same people are featured in Panhandle PBS’s Savor the Goods dinners, which will resume in the spring.

Episodes also will feature songs from Panhandle PBS’s and Amarillo College’s FM90’s Yellow City Sounds Live, an in-studio concert series highlighting local, regional and national musicians in intimate performances.

Segments from the show and full episodes will be available on panhandlepbs.org and on the PBS app.

Tuition: Tax reform will hit small community colleges the hardest

Continued from page one.

five years, and 30 of them surpassed 2.5-percent revenue growth in 2017 alone.

The shifting burden of funding community colleges, from the state to local taxpayers, may explain the growth. Another factor: The number of Texans enrolled in community colleges has roughly doubled since 1990, and the sector is playing a key role in the state’s workforce development and educational attainment goals.

Under current law, voters can petition to roll back tax rates if revenue growth surpasses 8 percent, a threshold set in the 1980s when inflation was high.

Dustin Meador, a director at the Texas Association of Community Colleges, said for small taxing units – Clarendon College’s, for example – “you’re talking about going to the voters any time you have to hire a new provost.”

“We’re confident we’d win on the merits, but it’s a bit burdensome,” he said.

When similar legislation was pushed in 2017 with a higher trigger point of 6 percent, the lower chamber’s Ways and Means Committee carved out an exemption for the institutions.

The Texas Association of Community Colleges hopes a similar

solution can be reached this session, with the former chair of the Ways and Means Committee, state Rep. Dennis Bonnen, R-Angleton, now speaker of the Texas House.

“State funding is out of our control,” said Jacob Fraire, head of the association. The Legislature has earmarked more money for community colleges this session. But were the property tax proposal to pass, Fraire said, the sector sees few options beyond increasing tuition or cutting services – which might put popular items like “dual credit” courses or campus safety initiatives on the chopping block.

Editor’s Note: This article has been edited for length.

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Obituaries

McAfee

Joan McAfee, 82, of Clarendon died on Thursday, February 28, 2019, in Borger.

Memorial Services will be 3:00 p.m. Saturday, March 23, 2019, in the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon with Rev. Larry Capranica, officiating.

Cremation & Arrangements are under the direction Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Joan was born April 21, 1936, in Texline, Texas. Joan loved her country, was very patriotic, and was a US Army veteran. She had been a longtime resident of Clarendon. She was a nurse and worked at several cafes in Clarendon prior to her retirement. She enjoyed crocheting and cross word puzzles. She loved her kids, grandkids, and great grandkids. Joan was a member



of Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon.

She was preceded in death by her mother; a son, Jerry Smith; and a sister, Betty Maxfield.

She is survived by a son, Steve Smith and wife Wanda of Clarendon; two daughters, Janey Salzman and husband Brad of Farmington, New Mexico and Kim Morrison of Vernon; nine grandchildren; 15 great grandchildren; and three great great grandchildren.

The family request memorials be sent to BSA Hospice of the Southwest, Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon, or the Veterans Administration.

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Owens

Betty Owens, 81, of Claude, died Friday, March 1, 2019. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, March 5, 2019, at Crossroads Country Church,



Owens

14425 FM 1541 with Rev. Bob Miller officiating. Burial followed at Rowe Cemetery in Hedley.

Betty was born November 30, 1937, in Ft. Worth to Woodrow and Mildred Clendennen. She graduated from Hedley High School. She married Merle Owens on April 19, 1958. Betty devoted her life to caring for her family.

Being a quarter Comanche Indian, she was passionate about her Indian heritage. She was an amazing artist, and did intricate Indian art on duck feathers among other things. She sold her arts at Pow Wow's and craft shows. Betty will be dearly missed by her family and all who loved her.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Merle Owens; a son, Cody Owens; and a brother, Doyle Clendennen.

She is survived by two daughters, Connie Spiller and husband Glen, and Cheryl Hand and husband Danny all of Claude; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. The family suggests memorial donations may be made to Claude EMS/Fire, 115 Trice St. Claude, TX 79019; or to Charles Goodnight Heritage Society, 4989 Co Rd 25, Claude, TX 79019.

Sheriff's Report

February 26, 2019

4:18 a.m. EMS responded to call at County Road C

6:44 a.m. Deputy responded to call at 800 block S. Johns

8:30 a.m. Deputy responded to complainant at Sheriff's Office

9:23 a.m. Sheriff and Deputy responded to call at Giles Rest Area

12:00 p.m. EMS responded to call

4:05 p.m. Sheriff out in Howardwick

4:10 p.m. Deputy out in Howarwick

February 27, 2019

12:38 Deputy out on call on N 70

1:19 a.m. Deputy out on Welfare check on N. 70

1:31 a.m. EMS responded to call on 800 block S. Johns

2:15 a.m. Deputy assist multiple locations

4:27 a.m. One new inmate brought to jail

12:43 p.m. Deputy responded to complainant at Sheriff's Office

2:35 p.m. Deputy responded to call at 400 block Woodrow in Leila Lake

2:54 p.m. EMS responded to call at 10 Medical Drive

5:31 p.m. EMS responded to call at 500 block Bugbee

February 28, 2019

12:38 a.m. EMS responded to call at 500 block Tiffany Drive in Howardwick

11:39 a.m. EMS responded to call at 300 block S. Bailey

1:39 p.m. Multi-agency response to grass fire W. of Leila Lake

4:13 p.m. Deputy responded to call at 5th and Taylor

March 1, 2019

7:29 a.m. Deputy out on call at 100 block W. 5th

8:42 a.m. Deputy out on call on Kearney

3:53 p.m. One new inmate brought to jail

9:00 p.m. Deputy out on call at 1400 block W. 8th

9:24 p.m. One new inmate brought to jail

11:27 p.m. EMS responded to mutual aid request in Claude

March 2, 2019

8:11 a.m. One new inmate brought to jail

9:10 a.m. EMS responded to call at 1000 block W. 3rd

1:54 p.m. Deputy responded to call at 100 block Lakeview Lane

7:21 p.m. Deputy responded to call near Giles rest area

March 3, 2019

2:22 a.m. Deputy responded to motorist assist WB 287 near County Road 23

2:52 a.m. Deputy responded to caller at Allsup's

SWEPCO provides safety kits to businesses

Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) is sharing its worker safety education materials with area businesses to help them avoid potential risks associated with utility contacts and dig-ins.

Businesses can request a free electrical safety training kit at <https://aepcontractorsafety.com/trainers.php> and click on the ES Trainers tab.

"Whether working indoors or outside, using handheld tools or operating heavy equipment, it's critical that every worker know the requirements, guidelines and techniques for working safely around underground and overhead utilities," said Malcolm Smoak SWEPCO president and chief operating officer. "This is critical for themselves, their business and the public."

The kit includes: Eight-page Worker Beware booklet featuring full-color photos

illustrating key safety tips regarding overhead and underground power lines, excavation, spotter and equipment usage.

Kits come with 10 booklets in English and five in Spanish.

Worker Beware DVD in English and Spanish containing a slide show with presenter's notes and a trainer's guide.

"Our goal in sharing these tools is to promote safety and save lives," Smoak said.

SWEPCO also reminds companies of these general safety tips to protect work crews and the public:

Beware of power lines. Survey your job site every day to find overhead power lines, poles, wires and pad-mounted equipment.

Consider all overhead power lines to be energized and potentially dangerous.

Notify 811 before you dig. This free service will arrange to have underground utility lines located and marked so you can dig a safe distance away from them. (Please remember that SWEPCO marks only lines owned by the company. SWEPCO customers own the underground electric services on their property. Customers should contact a licensed electrical contractor to locate these lines prior to digging.

If your equipment contacts a power line, stay on the equipment and warn others to keep away.

Don't risk it. Use a spotter. An equipment operator working alone cannot safely judge the distance from the equipment to the overhead power lines. Work with a spotter whose only responsibility is to keep you and your equipment a safe distance from overhead lines and other hazards.

Bills aim to bring high-speed internet to rural Texas

AUSTIN – State lawmakers have filed bills to help bring high-speed internet to rural Texas.

Senator Charles Perry (R-Lubbock) and Reps. Charles "Doc" Anderson (R-Waco) and Four Price (R-Amarillo) have sponsored bills that seek to improve broadband access in areas of Texas that are currently underserved.

Broadband refers to high-speed internet access that is always on and is faster than a dial-up connection. It includes technologies like Digital Subscriber Line (DSL) and cable modem.

While broadband access is a problem in many places, the sparseness of rural communities often creates an extra barrier for consumer access.

In many parts of rural Texas, residents often pay higher prices for

lower quality service, if they can get broadband at all.

AARP Texas, a nonprofit and nonpartisan advocacy association for older persons, and Glasshouse Policy, a Texas-based nonprofit, support the measures, which were filed this week. The bills are: Senate Bills 1103 and 1104 by Senator Perry, House Bills 2422 and 2423 by Representative Anderson, and House Bill 1960 by Representative Price.

"These broadband-access proposals offer a solution to a real problem facing many rural Texans," said AARP Texas Director Bob Jackson. "Access to broadband can help older Americans live independently in their homes and communities. It also combats social isolation and improves well-being by supporting services like distance learning and telehealth."

SB 1103 and HB 2423 create a broadband office within the Public Utility Commission of Texas that would provide grants to public or private entities for projects that stimulate the installation and maintenance of broadband in rural areas. The bills also authorize the PUC to set statewide goals for broadband deployment, coordinate various local and state governmental efforts, act as an information clearinghouse on the issues, and be empowered to seek federal funding.

SB 1104 and HB 2422 would encourage deployment of broadband conduit, such as fiber-optic cables, on state-owned land and in state buildings. Meanwhile, HB 1960 creates a 15-member Broadband Council to advise the Legislature on steps needed to improve access in rural areas.

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Aubrey Jaramillo

Jaramillo places at Regionals

By Sandy Anderberg

Power lifter Aubrey Jaramillo made her second appearance in a row at the Regional Powerlifting Meet last weekend.

Jaramillo came home with the fifth-place medal for a personal best lift total of 460 pounds.

She had personal bests in the squat at 175 pounds and the deadlift at 195 pounds. Jaramillo bench pressed 90 pounds.

“I was proud of the way she competed,” coach Johnny Nino said. “She came in seeded 8th and improved three spots to fifth. She

has overcome a knee injury from about three weeks ago. It locked up on her on the third lift of the squat, but after putting some ice on it she came back to finish the meet. I was very proud of her.”

Jaramillo has been a staple on the powerlifting team for the past two years and will be looking forward to lift again next season.

“I want to thank Aubrey for all the hard work she put in this year, as well as the other powerlifters that competed this year,” Nino said. “I want to thank Joe Jaramillo for all of his help during the meets this year.”

Lady Broncos finish third at meet

By Sandy Anderberg

Both the Lady Broncos and the JV Lady Broncos finished third in their meets in Sanford-Fritch at the Pantex Relays last week.

It was their first meet of the season. The 400m relay jumped out to take first in their relay with a time of 53.40. The relay was run by Ashlyn Newsome, Makayla Brown, Jade Benson, and Sandra Smith. The same foursome ran the 800m relay and finished second with a time of 1:56.53.

Running for the varsity, Smith took second in the 100m with a time of 13.33, and Kira Weatherton finished fourth at 13.89. Brown was third in the 200m at 28.24, and Kailee Osburn was third in the 400m run with a time of 1:13.78. Osburn also finished third in the high jump at 4’6”, and Benson was fourth at the same height.

Lady Broncos beat Claude, 13-3

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos blasted Claude 13-3 in the 5th in the first game of the season. The ladies were able to keep the Lady Mustangs off of home plate until the fourth inning.

“They played well and I was very proud of them,” coach Carrie Hicks said. “Everyone that stepped up to the plate got a hit.” Hicks gave credit to Jade Benson for playing a great game and scoring each time she was on offense.

Benson and Kira Weatherton each scored a homerun in the game. “Jade also played great

defensively,” Hicks said. “She hustled behind the plate and fired one to 2nd for an out. Kira and Sandra Smith had some awesome catches in the outfield. Emily Johnson, Aubrey Jaramillo, Ashlynn Newsome, and Raynee Newsome each caught an out in the infield.”

Madi Smith was on the plate for the Lady Broncos and did a good job.

“Madison pitched her first high school softball game and did amazing,” Hicks said. “She didn’t allow many free bases. I see a lot of potential in this team and can’t wait to see what we do this season.”

Colts compete in Pantex Relays

The seventh and eighth grade Colts competed in Sanford-Fritch in their first meet of the season finishing eighth and sixth, respectively. The 800m relay came in sixth with a time of 2:10.24 and was run by Easton Frausto, Harrison Howard, Lyric Smith, and Anthony Cenicerros.

Benson was fifth in the 110m hurdles with a time of 21.56 and Smith finished fourth in the long jump with a distance of 14’.

Davin Mays and Sylvester

Ballard ran for the eighth grade Colts and performed well. Mays took a first place in the 1200m run with a time of 4:17.96 and first in the 2400m run at 9:20.49. He also finished second in the discus with a throw of 97’2”.

Ballard was first in the high jump at 5’6” and first in the 200m dash with a time of 24.71. Ballard was third in the 100m dash at 12.23 and second in the long jump with a leap of 17’7”.

Lady Colts compete in Pantex Relays

Competing for the eighth-grade Lady Colts, runner Aliyah Weatherton brought home a first-place finish in the 2400m run with a time of 10:42.25 at the Pantex Relays last week. She was also second in the 800m dash with at 2:51.31.

Aleyah Weatherton ran a time of 5:18.40 for fourth place in the 1200m run, Addison Willoughby was fifth at 5:22.48. Aleyah Weatherton was third in the 2400m run with a time of 11:26.19. Makenna Shadle competed in the 100m hurdles

finishing fourth at 20.66 and the 300m hurdles for second place with a time of 1:01.74. The eighth grade 400m relay crossed the line in third place with a time of 1:00.21 and was run by Shadle, Cate Word, Avery English, and Finley Cunningham.

Elyza Rodriguez was fourth in the 400m with a time of 1:16.04 and was a member of the 400m relay that finished sixth with a time of 1:01.14. Others running the relay were Morgan Johnston, Briana Martin, and Bayleigh Bruce.

CHS athletes open track season at Pantex Relays

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos and Lady Broncos competed in the Pantex Relays last week in Sanford-Fritch with good results from the varsity and junior varsity. The varsity Broncos finished fourth as a team and the JV finished fifth.

Jamal Butler brought home two first-place finishes in the 300m hurdles with a time of 43.86 and the high jump clearing 6’2”. Kenny Overstreet took the top spot in the 3200-meter run with a time of 11:51.19. Overstreet also placed fifth in the 800m run with a time of 2:28.35.

Nate Lee was fourth in the 400

at 58.52 and fifth in the 200m at 24.74. Brandon Santos was fourth in the 1600m run with a time of 9:02.41.

The mile relay too third with a time of 4:01.76 and was run by Lee, Bear Smith, Gavin Word, and Overstreet.

Jodee Pigg ran the 1600m for the JV and finished fourth with a time of 6:25.74 and Koyt Tucek was fifth in the 800 at 2:31.38. Rhett Caison was sixth in the 400 with a time of 1:06.39, and Callin Casselberry was fourth in the discus with a throw of 78’7”.

The Broncos will in Wellington on March 7.

CHS Broncos compete in Childress

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos won two games and lost one in the Childress Tournament last week. They dropped the first game 5-8 to Borger and defeated Fritch 16-1 in the next. They finished the tournament by defeating the host team 9-3.

“(We) struggled in the early game against Borger,” head coach Brad Elam said. “But I think we are

starting to turn things around. (We) got good pitching the last two games from Preston Elam and Noab Elam. Dalton Benson had a big weekend at the late as did Payton Hicks and Isaac Dunham.”

The Broncos will play Palo Duro junior varsity on March 8 at home beginning at 3:00 p.m. and travel to San Jacinto on March 14 and play at 1:00 p.m.

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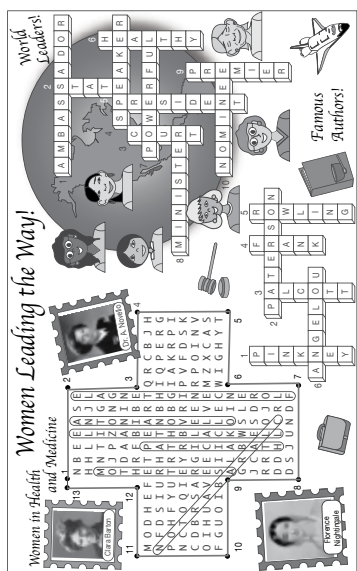
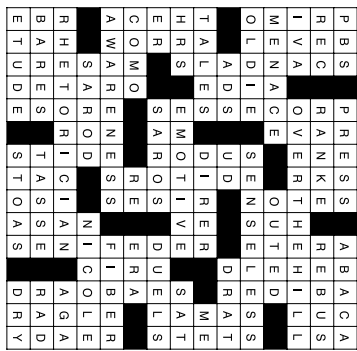
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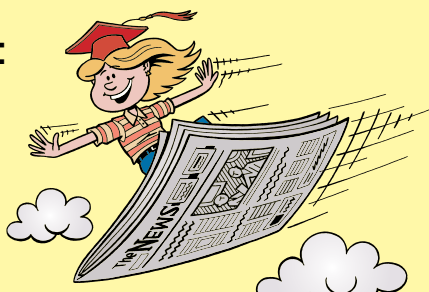
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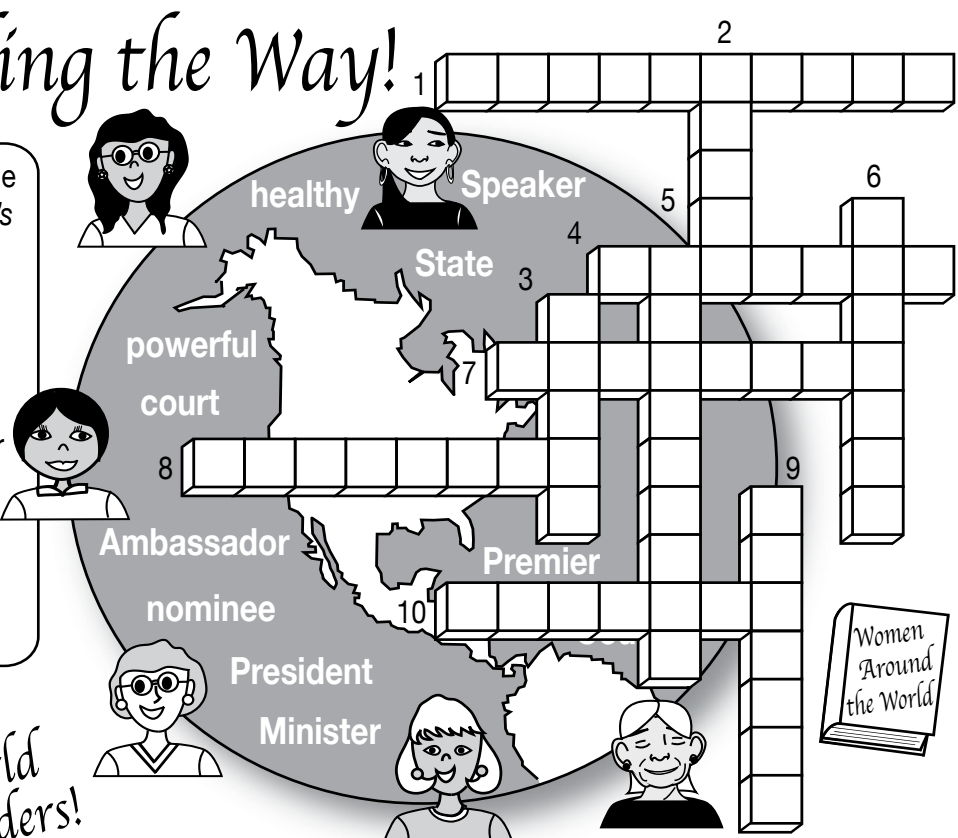
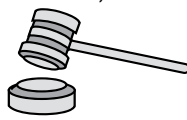
Women Leading the Way!

We went to the library to learn about the achievements of women around the world and throughout history. It was easy to find books and articles about men's leadership and contributions to the worlds of politics, arts and sciences. But, finding details about women's contributions was much harder! We learned that, until recently, women did not have many opportunities to lead - and many job, career and education choices were not open to them. A few women, such as Eleanor Roosevelt and Marie Curie were credited with helping their husbands.

Today, women are better educated than ever before, and may work inside or outside the home. Those who decide to build a career may get challenging and higher-paying jobs, working alongside men in many fields. Through the years a lot of women have worked very hard - and taken big risks - to help create new ideas, start new organizations and to gain rights and freedoms that might have seemed impossible in the past. They have made the world a better place!

Read the clues below to learn about some women who are well-known all over the world for their contributions to leadership and politics. **Can you fill in the puzzle with the word that completes each sentence?**

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- Ruth Bader Ginsburg** is a Justice on the U.S. Supreme _____. She helps to decide what the U.S. Constitution means!
- Nancy Pelosi** is the first female _____ of the House of Representatives, one of the most powerful positions in the American government.
- Tsai Ing-wen** is the first female _____ of Taiwan.
- Michelle Obama**, a writer, lawyer and former First Lady of the



- United States. She encourages people to work on a _____ lifestyle.
- Angela Merkel** has been Chancellor (leader) of Germany since 2005. She is one of the most _____ women in the world.
 - Kim Campbell** was the first (and only) female Prime _____ of Canada. She served in her position for about 4 months!
 - Rachel Notley** is the _____ of Alberta, Canada. (A job similar to a state Governor in the U.S.)
 - Hillary Clinton** was First Lady, Senator, Secretary of State and the first female _____ for U.S. president for a major political party.

Thornberry, Cornyn bill aims to protect Red River property owners

WASHINGTON – US Rep. Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) and US Senator John Cornyn (R-TX) released the following statements after the “Red River Gradient Boundary Survey Act,” legislation requiring the necessary gradient boundary survey of the 116-mile stretch of the Red River between Texas and Oklahoma, passed the House as a part of the “Natural Resources Management Act.”

This bill now goes to the President’s desk for signature.

“The fundamental right to own property must be protected. This bill takes another crucial step in giving property owners the assurance they

deserve to know once and for all where public lands end and private lands begin. The pieces are now in place to see that property owners are protected,” Thornberry said. “I am grateful for all of the work that has been done on this issue for the past several years. Senator Cornyn has been an important advocate for private property rights and instrumental in getting this done.”

“With the passage of this bill, we’re one step closer to delivering certainty for Texas families who live and own land along the Red River that the federal government has no rightful claim to their property,” said Sen. Cornyn. “I’m grateful to Rep.

Thornberry and my colleagues in the House for supporting this bill.”

Currently, the BLM has the authority to survey the contested area using BLM surveyors without any input from the states. This legislation requires the BLM to use independent third-party surveyors chosen in consultation with the states and the Tribes. BLM can then only implement the completed survey or portions of the survey that have the written approval of the states and the Tribes.

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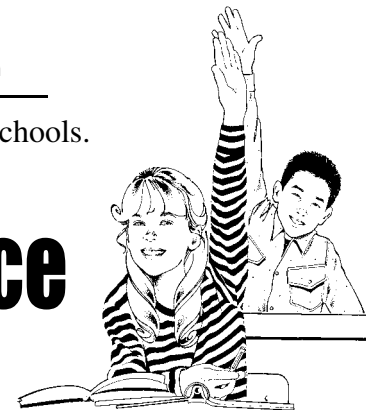
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