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2019: H’wick elects Clemishire mayor

Mullanax, Coy Cooper, Brice Hawley, Tony Clemishire, and J.D. Kindle at last week’s forum. Enterprise Photo / Roger Estlack

Mayoral candidates Coy Cooper, Alderman Brice Hawley, Tony Clemisher, and J.D. Kindle were up first to address citizen concerns, covering a wide range of topics, as presented by City Secretary Sandy Childress.

Hawley and Clemisher both agreed to try to not let meetings go on for three hours or more if elected.

April 18, 2019 Overstreet wins 2019 annual Jones 5K

Kenneth Overstreet and Kaylanth Mendoza were the top men’s and women’s finishers of the seventh annual Chance Mark Jones Roar & Run 5K last Saturday, April 13, at Clarendon College.

Overstreet, age 17, was the first to cross the finish line with a time of 19:39, shaving almost a minute off his winning time from last year and giving him the best overall time, the best men’s time, and best time for those ages 11-19.

Mendoza, age 16, ran the race in 24 minutes, 24 seconds, finishing before all other women and placing third in the 11-19 age group. Second place in that group went to Ryder Robison with a time of 20:41.

April 18, 2019 CHS UIL students state bound

The Clarendon High School UIL Science team will head to the State UIL meet in May. Pictured here are Marquis McGuire, Josiah Howard, Tessa Lutters, and Shylee Morrow. Courtesy Photo / Lisa Grahn

Clarendon High School took 12 students to the regional academic meet in Odessa April 13, and four of those students will be headed to the next level of competition, the State UIL Academic Meet in Austin May 3 and 4.

The Science team, led by senior Marquis McGuire, won the regional title to advance. McGuire won the regional Chemistry championship and placed second overall to pace the team, but every team member placed in a category as well.

Tessa Lutters finished third in Physics, Josiah Howard was fourth in Biology, and Shylee Morrow was sixth in Biology.

April 18, 2019 Evaluations show regents’ rift on Riza

Evaluations of Clarendon College President Robert Riza show stark differences of opinion about his performance among members the Board of Regents, according to documents obtained by The Clarendon Enterprise through a Public Information Request.

Regents Ruth Robinson, Jack Moreman, and Dr. Bill Sansing had the highest praise for the president, giving him fours and fives in every criterion with Moreman offering the most positive comments.

Regents Jerry Woodard and Darlene Spier had the harshest evaluations of the president as well as the most negative comments.

Other board members gave more mixed reviews of themselves and the president.

April 18, 2019 Accrediting agency reviewing CC board

The governing board of Clarendon College’s accrediting agency will consider in June whether CC’s Board of Regents has violated as many as four accreditation standards.

Documents obtained by The Clarendon Enterprise through a Public Information Request show that the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) notified the college in February that a complaint had been filed against CC’s Board of Regents alleging repeated violations of the Texas Open Meetings Act and that members of the board had “harassed college employees who were trying to uphold the law and institutional policy.”

SACSCOC was specifically interested in the following standards: Governing Board Characteristics, a Core Requirement which speaks to the board not being controlled by a minority of board members; Board/Administrative Distinction; Conflict of Interest; and Board Self-Evaluation.

April 25, 2019 CC Ranch Horse team wins reserve national

The Clarendon College Ranch Horse Team recently competed at the American Stock Horse Association National Collegiate Championship in Sweetwater, Texas, and finished the show as the Reserve National Champion Stock Horse Team of Division II.

Gracie Paul, a sophomore from

Coldwater, Kan., finished as the Reserve National Champion in the Limited Non-Pro Division and also received the Collegiate trainer award for that division.

April 25, 2019 CC Rodeo ranking second in southwest

The Clarendon College Rodeo team is currently in second place in the Southwest Region.

Much of the men’s team success can be attributed to two cousins from Winterset, Iowa – Riggins and Tegan Smith. They are sitting in first and second place in the Saddle Bronc Riding event. Tegan is splitting 3rd-4th in the Bull Riding making him the 1st place all-around cowboy.

Others contributing to the men’s team success include Brody Rankin, a freshman from Roaring Springs; Casey McCleskey, a sophomore from Clarendon; Brayden Roberson, a sophomore from Miami, Texas; Josh Green, a sophomore from Wetumpka, AL, and Taylor Russell, a freshman from Lipscomb.

April 25, 2019 CC Regents vote down extending Riza

A divided Board of Regents voted down a contract extension for Clarendon College President Robert Riza, and Regent Jack Moreman indicated his intent to resign from the board following the president’s evaluation last Thursday, April 18.

The 4-5 vote came after most regents spoke about the president’s performance. Moreman started the discussion and offered the motion to add one year to the president’s contract, which expires in June 2020 and said he thought the board should entertain a raise also.

“We’d be hard pressed to replace the man we have now,” Moreman said. “I’ve served or worked with all of our presidents since Kenneth Vaughn. He [Riza] and Bill Auvenshine are the best of them.”

April 25, 2019 H'wick to sue fire department

The Howardwick City Council approved filing a lawsuit against the Howardwick Volunteer Fire Department during its regular meeting April 9.

Aldermen first unanimously approved authorizing City Secretary Sandy Childress and the city’s attorney to complete requests for motor vehicle registration forms in the name of the City of Howardwick Volunteer Fire Department, then went into executive session for almost 30 minutes with legal counsel before unanimously authorizing the lawsuit.

Childress told the Enterprise that the city’s official fire department – the City of Howardwick Volunteer Fire Department as defined in Chapter 7 of the code of ordinances – has been replaced by a new entity calling itself the Howardwick Volunteer Fire Department.

April 25, 2019 Saving lives pays off for Hedley ISD kids

Hedley High School received \$2,000 last Thursday from Coffee Memorial Blood Center in Amarillo following the school’s participating in the Kids, Inc. Donor Days blood drive.

With 31 units donated and a higher percentage of school population participating, Hedley beat out Texline and Follett in the competition’s small high school category. Students, staff, and members of the community all rallied together to donate the gift of life.

School officials say the money will toward new playground equipment.

May 2, 2019 Hedley names top students for 2019

Hedley High School has announced Jayden Lambert and Kasie Hinton as its top students for the Class of 2019.

Both girls will be recognized during commencement activities at Hedley High School at 10 a.m. on Saturday, May 25.

The Valedictorian is Jayden Grace Lambert, who has an average of 95.125 or a GPA of 3.887. Kasie Nicole Hinton is this year’s Salutatorian with an average of 94.946 or a GPA of 3.887.

May 2, 2019 Donley 4-H team earns trip to state

Donley County 4-H judging team members participated in the District 1 Spring Roundup in Canyon last Friday with one team securing a spot at the state roundup.

The top 3 teams in the senior division get to advance to the Texas 4-H State Roundup held at Texas A&M campus June 10-13. Donley County’s senior horse judging team placed third, and those members and individual

rankings were Brandalyn Ellis (5), Henry Dushay (9), Tanner Burch (11) and Darcy Grahn (17).

May 2, 2019 CC rodeo team wins regional title

Clarendon College’s Men’s Rodeo Team made school history and secured its first trip to the National Finals last weekend after winning the Southwest Region title at the Tarleton Stampede in Stephenville April 25-27.

The team went into the regional contest in second place before capturing 515 points, which catapulted Clarendon College to the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association Southwest Region Men’s Team Championship for the first time in school history.

CC’s team will now advance to the College National Finals held in Casper, Wyo., June 9-15.

Tegan and Riggins Smith received several honors following the rodeo. Tegan was named the 2018-19 All Around Champion Cowboy for the second year in a row, the Reserve Champion Saddle Bronc Rider, and the third place finisher in the Bull Riding. He was also nominated to represent the Southwest Region for the Walt Garrison Scholarship Award.

CC’s Riggins Smith was the 2018-19 Saddle Bronc Riding Champion.

May 9, 2019 HISD hires new administrators

Hedley ISD will be under a new administration next month after the Board of Trustees named a new superintendent and principal for the school at its most recent meeting.

Garrett Bains was named as Hedley’s new superintendent, and Eric Alston, a Hedley alumnus, will succeed Bains as the school’s principal.

Superintendent Terry Stevens was very pleased with the selections following the April 15 board meeting.

“I think these are two really good hires that will be here for the long term,” Stevens said.

May 9, 2019 CHS names top students for 2019

Clarendon High School announced this week that Noab Elam and Gavin Word are the top students for the Class of 2019.

The valedictorian for this year’s graduating class is Noab Elam. He is the son of Brad and Adelita Elam and has a weighted GPA of 5.829. The salutatorian for CHS is Gavin Word, son of Tiffanie Word and Cameron Word. He has a weighted GPA of 5.637.

May 9, 2019 Clemishire wins mayor at Howardwick

Tony Clemishire will be the new mayor of Howardwick, a new face will join the Clarendon school board, and Clarendon residents approved a tax measure during voting last Saturday, May 4.

A total of 148 votes were cast in the race to determine who would succeed Howardwick Mayor Greta Byars. Clemishire easily carried the election with 105 votes followed by Alderman Brice Hawley 32, Coy Cooper 9, and J.D. Kindle 2.

Alderman Johnny Floyd won re-election to the Howardwick City Council with 130 votes, and former code officer Jerry Mullanax was also elected to the council with 89 votes. Others running for City Council were Beverly McCaskill 29, Tammy Jordan 12, and Ericka Mills 9.

May 17, 2019 CC Lady Bulldogs fall in regional tourney

The Clarendon College Lady Bulldogs closed out their 2019 season Monday at the NJCAA Region V tournament in Lubbock.

CC won its first game against Odessa College on Saturday, 10-7, but then fell to Midland College on Sunday, 1-2.

The Lady Bulldogs then were eliminated from the tournament with an 8-0 loss to Howard College on Monday. Howard went on to win the tournament championship.

May 17, 2019 High-speed chase ends in Memphis

An Iowa Park woman was booked into the Donley County Jail Monday after leading law enforcement officers on a high-speed chase from Clarendon to Memphis.

Michelle Dehoyos, age 40, was wanted out of Iowa Park for a hit and run involving a police officer when she was spotted in Clarendon shortly before 9 a.m. Monday. A Donley County deputy gave pursuit and as Dehoyos fled east on

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2019: City accepts bid for pool

funds to help make up a shortfall between the low bid and money dedicated to the project.

A&S General Contractors had the lowest price of \$2,716,838 when bids were opened on July 9. Funds currently dedicated to the project through donations and grants, however, total \$2,253,055, leaving a shortfall of \$463,783. City officials would also like to have a five percent contingency fund of \$126,842 in the event of change orders or cost overruns.

The city has until August 23 to accept or reject the bid submitted by A&S.

August 7, 2019

CISD board extends Norrell’s contract

The Clarendon CISD Board of Trustees extended the contract of Superintendent Mike Norrell during their regular meeting July 11.

Trustees met for over an hour behind closed doors to evaluate Norrell’s performance before returning to open session to accept his contract and compensation package unanimously.

Norrell started with Clarendon schools in April 2015. His contract will now run through the 2022-2023 school year.

August 7, 2019

Accident claims teen girl’s life last week

An Amarillo youth lost her life and two friends were hospitalized following a one vehicle accident near Clarendon early Friday morning, August 3.

The Texas Department of Public Safety reports that a 14-year-old girl, who was driving at the time, was pronounced dead on the scene by Justice of the Peace Pat White. Two other 14-year-old girls were transported to Northwest Texas Hospital in Amarillo. One had non-life-threatening injuries, and another was still hospitalized Tuesday morning.

August 14, 2019

City council extends Dockery’s contract

The Clarendon City Council unanimously extended the contract of City Administrator David Dockery during their regular meeting August 8.

Following an evaluation in closed session, the council reconvened in open session where Mayor Sandy Skelton announced that Dockery had received a perfect score on his evaluation.

The council then voted unanimously to extend his contract to 2021 and give him a four percent raise.

August 14, 2019

City accepts pool bid

Clarendon will have its own water recreation park as early as next summer following action taken by the city council last Thursday, August 8.

With a unanimous vote, aldermen approved a \$2.7 million bid from A&S General Contractors to construct the Clarendon Aquatics Center on the southeast corner of Fourth and Kearney.

Mayor Sandy Skelton, during the meeting, urged the council to take action on the bid calling it their “opportunity to step up as city leaders and make a bold decision.” Afterwards, he applauded the council’s vote.

“After four years of fundraising, I am very pleased that the City Council accepted the low bid from A&S General Contractors for the construction of Clarendon’s first ever public swimming pool,” Skelton said.

August 21, 2019

H’wick back under water restrictions

Howardwick citizens were back under a boil water notice this week after a failed pump impacted the city’s water

supply there.

City Hall reports that pump problems began Saturday and worsened on Sunday, prompting Red River Water Authority on Monday to issue the boil water notice and place the city under a Stage 4 water emergency, which bans all outside watering.

Red River also delivered bottled drinking water to City Hall for the residents’ use.

August 21, 2019

Deal underway for new City Hall

Clarendon City Hall will have a new home in 2020 after a real estate agreement was reached last week.

City Administrator David Dockery says the city is purchasing the former office building of Bill Lowe at 313 S. Sully across from the Donley County Courthouse for \$163,000.

“We’re too confined in our current offices and our requirements to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) was going to be expensive,” Dockery said.

August 28, 2019

Local schools meet state testing goals

Clarendon and Hedley schools both met state goals on standardized testing last spring and earned “grades” of B for the year, according to information released this month by the Texas Education Agency (TEA).

Clarendon ISD’s overall score improved from an 84 last year as a district to 88 this year with Clarendon High School making an 87, down one point; Clarendon Junior High making an 80, up five points; and Clarendon Elementary maintaining a 90.

Hedley received an overall score of 88 out of 100, down from a 92 last year. Hedley ISD operates as one campus, where the state recognizes Clarendon as being three campuses – elementary, junior high, and high school.

August 28, 2019

Myers gets 10-year prison sentence

A Clarendon man will spend ten years in prison following the death of his daughter last October.

During a meeting of the 100th District Court here Monday, Christopher Bryon Myers, age 38, entered a guilty plea to the charge of second degree felony offense of injury to a child. Myers was convicted and sentenced to 10 years in the Institutional Division of the TDCJ.

Myers was arrested in Donley County by DPS Texas Ranger Mike Smith on October 12, 2018. He was later indicted by the Donley County Grand Jury on January 17.

Law enforcement and emergency medical personnel responded to Myers’ residence at 718 S. Ellerbe on Friday, October 12, after a 911 call at 5:02 that morning reported a possible dead baby. Officials at the time said the complaint against Myers alleged that the child’s death was due to blunt force trauma.

August 28, 2019

CISD taxes fall, teacher salaries rise

Clarendon ISD teachers will receive a pay raise and local taxpayers could see relief on their property taxes thanks to House Bill 3, according to Superintendent Mike Norrell.

The Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees approved a new compressed tax rate Monday night, mandated by HB 3. The new rate of \$1.0683 per \$100 valuation will replace the school’s old rate of \$1.17.

Norrell also said that the starting teachers will see their base salary go up by more than \$3,000 in the new budget. Teachers with more experience will receive larger increases on the new pay

scale set forth by the Texas Education Agency.

August 28, 2019

City utility, trash rates going up

The Clarendon City Council approved rate increases for water, sewer, and trash services when it met last Thursday, August 22.

Officials said the cost of water and trash services charged to the city has gone up, and City Administrator David Dockery said the increase in the sewer charge will help the city’s application for a grant to improve the sewer system.

“We’ve been told if we didn’t raise our sewer rates, our application didn’t stand a chance,” Dockery said.

August 28, 2019

Riza welcomes faculty back for fall

Clarendon College President Robert Riza welcomed faculty and staff last Thursday, August 22, as preparations were made for the opening of CC’s 122nd fall semester this week.

Officials reported that the dorms were full as the semester got underway, an indication of a strong enrollment. Final enrollment will not be available for several days.

Dr. Riza enumerated several accomplishments of the college and praised the faculty and staff for their roles in making those things possible.

September 4, 2019

St. Mary’s church to be demolished

The Texas Panhandle’s oldest Catholic church is scheduled to be demolished next Monday, September 9, more than two years after it was damaged in an automobile accident.

St. Mary’s Catholic Church parish member Chriss Clifford told the Enterprise Tuesday that Jordan Green has been hired to do the work after the church spent much time trying to figure out the best way to move forward.

The church learned the collision had broken the floor plate as well as several floor joists and that stress was being put on the roof of the 1892 building that was built by Irish immigrants working for the railroad.

Understanding the historical significance of the building, preservation architect and Preservation Texas board member Chuck Lynch was brought in to help determine whether the church could be saved.

“No one wanted to save it more than him,” Clifford said.

September 11, 2019

CISD Trustees accept Norrell’s resignation

Clarendon ISD Superintendent Mike Norrell resigned effective immediately Monday night at a meeting of the Board of Trustees.

Board President Wayne Hardin said Norrell resigned for personal reasons and that his decision to leave was not due to anything illegal or anything involving the school or its students.

“It was a total bombshell,” Hardin said. “No one foresaw this. It was totally out of the blue.”

September 11, 2019

Two for the Road to premier at Mulkey

The locally produced PBS series Two for the Road will hold a special season three premier event next Saturday, September 21, at the Mulkey Theatre in Clarendon.

Stone Ranch Media announced last week that the highly anticipated third season of the international travel and adventure show, produced and hosted by Howardwick residents Nikki and Dusty

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2019: Allsup’s agrees to sell convenience stores to Yesway

Green, will premiere on Panhandle PBS Thursday night, October 3, at 8:00 p.m.

The new season of the three-time Lone Star Emmy nominated show follows the Greens and their adventures around the world once again, this time as they explore more than a dozen countries across four continents, including Bolivia, Iceland, Vietnam, the Galapagos Islands, Ireland and more. The thirteen new episodes will begin running concurrently on PBS stations nationwide in early October as well.

September 18, 2019 Economy leads to dip in CC enrollment

Clarendon College’s fall enrollment is down from last year’s all time high but still secured a spot in the record books as the institution’s third highest enrollment in 121-year history.

The fall head count following the 12th class day last Wednesday settled at 1,589, which is down from last year’s figure of 1,639 and only one below the second highest enrollment of 1,590 set in 2017.

A strong economy and low unemployment typically leads to lower college enrollments, according to CC President Robert Riza.

“Unemployment is at 2½ percent right now,” Dr. Riza said. “If you can pass a drug screen, you can get a job.”

September 18, 2019 Accident claims life of local woman

A Clarendon woman lost her life in a two-vehicle accident last Thursday afternoon near Goodnight.

Tojuanna Pierce, age 60, was pronounced dead at the scene by Donley

County Justice of the Peace Pat White, according to a report from the Texas Department of Public Safety.

DPS Sgt. Cindy Barkley said Pierce was a passenger in a 2009 Hyundai Santa Fe, driven by 58-year-old James Powell, also of Clarendon. The couple was traveling in the outside lane of eastbound US 287 when they were struck from behind by a 2002 Peterbilt truck tractor-trailer driven by Galyean Sawyer, 22, of Childress.

September 18, 2019 Ceremony kicks off pool work

City officials and approximately 100 spectators gathered at the site of the future Clarendon Aquatics Center Tuesday afternoon to break ground on the \$2.7 million project.

“We are extremely pleased to reach this milestone after years of efforts,” City Administrator David Dockery said afterward. “We are so grateful to have these residents and students help us with the ground-breaking for this momentous occasion for the City of Clarendon.”

Before the dirt was turned, Mayor Skelton recognized those in attendance and reflected on the work that had been done since an anonymous donor first offered half a million dollars to get the project started four years ago.

September 20, 2019 Incident reschedules HHS homecoming

Hedley High School’s homecoming activities for Sept. 20 have been rescheduled following an incident at the school on Sept. 19.

Superintendent Garrett Bains says a joke taken too far led to the decision

to cancel even though the administration and law enforcement determined there was no threat to the school or its students.

“It was a bad topic for comedy,” Bains said. “It would be like yelling ‘bomb’ in an airport. You just can’t do that, and we decided to take a tough stance.”

Bains said the school consulted with the Donley County Sheriff’s Office which agreed there was no threat to the school. The superintendent said the administration’s policy is that disciplinary action means a kid cannot participate in an athletic event that week, which can have a big impact when a school only has eight football players.

September 25, 2019 Lions Club to host circus on Monday

Thanks to the sponsorship of the Lions Club, Culpepper & Merriweather Circus, America’s Favorite Big Top Circus is coming to Clarendon on September 30, to the Clarendon College Livestock & Equine Center.

The public is invited to watch as the LEC grounds are transformed into a bustling Circus City. Between 9:30 and 10:00 a.m. come watch the raising of the Big Top, then stay for the free Tour.

September 25, 2019 Clarendon CISD taps Jackson to be interim

Mike Jackson was named the interim superintendent of Clarendon CISD Monday night during a called meeting of the board of trustees.

Board Vice President Weldon Sears said Jackson will begin work this week, and the district will begin advertising for a new superintendent next week.

Jackson has also served as interim superintendent in Vega, Claude, Happy, Texoma, and River Road.

September 25, 2019 25th cookoff to be held here Saturday

The Saints’ Roost Museum will hold its 25th annual Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff this Saturday, September 28, with a big celebration that includes two performances by Red Steagall.

Tickets for the cookoff are sold out, according to museum officials. Admission is free, however, for the other activities at the museum Saturday including live entertainment, museum tours, and the Western tradeshow.

The wagon teams will arrive Friday to host area students for a day of learning about the chuckwagon and cooking the cowboy-way. Friday afternoon will also include the junior cookoff, which pairs kids, ages 8-17, with mentors on participating wagon teams to learn the ropes of cooking over an open fire.

October 2, 2019 C Bar C wins 25th annual cookoff

The C Bar C Ranch team from Hartley was the overall champion of the 25th annual Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff last Saturday, September 28, at the Saints’ Roost Museum.

Twelve wagons prepared food for 600 people for the sell-out event, and the C Bar C placed in three out of five food judging categories and placed third in Overall Cooking and third in Wagon & Camp to take home the custom cutting

board designed by Clarendon artist Jack Craft.

October 2, 2019 CC rodeo teams do well on the road

Clarendon College’s rodeo teams had a busy September posting good results at two rodeos.

The teams competed in Portales September 19-21 at the Eastern New Mexico University rodeo. The team fared well with five members of the men’s team competing in the finals.

Cole Franks, a freshman from Clarendon, qualified 5th in the Bareback Riding, 8th in the Saddle Bronc riding, and 10th in the Team Roping with partner Rafael Dominigo, a freshman from Citra, Florida.

October 2, 2019 Thornberry: ‘Time is right’ for a change

Congressman Mac Thornberry said Monday “the time is right” following his announcement that he will not seek re-election in 2020.

The Clarendon Republican referred to the people of the 13th District as his employers and, in his official statement, he expressed his gratitude for the people who had repeatedly elected him since 1994 and to those he worked with.

“It has been a great honor to serve the people of the 13th District of Texas as their congressman for the last 25 years,” Thornberry said in a statement released Monday. “We are reminded, however, that ‘for everything there is a season,’ and I believe that the time has come for a change. Therefore, I will not be a candidate for reelection in the 2020 election.”

October 8, 2019 Allsup’s stores selling to Yesway

Allsup’s Convenience Stores is being purchased by Yesway, according to reports Tuesday afternoon.

A Yesway press release said the Iowa-based company has entered into a definitive agreement to purchase Allsup’s, which is based in Clovis, New Mexico, subject to regulatory approval and customary closing conditions.

“Allsup’s founders, Lonnie and Barbara Allsup, were true pioneers, innovators, and visionaries of convenience store retailing,” said Thomas Nicholas Trkla, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Yesway. “They were the first to offer customers hot, cooked foods, self-serve gasoline sales, and 24-hour service. We could not be more pleased to be joining forces with such a strong, beloved company and talented team of employees.”

October 9, 2019 Local boy hit by vehicle on US 287

A Clarendon boy is hospitalized in Lubbock this week after he struck by a Jeep while crossing US 287 Sunday afternoon.

DPS Trooper Chase Overbeeke said the boy, identified on social media as seven-year-old T.J. Smith, was struck by the vehicle at about 2:40 p.m. near the intersection with Goodnight Street. He had been playing across the road and was called back by the person watching him, the trooper reported. He darted north across the highway and was struck on his right side.

Witnesses told DPS that the driver of the Jeep, 38-year-old Scott Ormon of



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2019: CC meats team wins national championship title

North Richland Hills, was not speeding and tried to avoid the boy.

October 9, 2019 City putting trust properties up for sale

The City of Clarendon in conjunction with the Texas Communities Group, LLC, will begin placing “For Sale” signs on available trust properties within the city in the coming days.

A press release from City Hall says this project is a part of the clean-up effort spearheaded by the City of Clarendon and other participating taxing entities.

Trust properties are lots and tracts of land which have been foreclosed upon to collect a tax lien due the local governmental entities, the City of Clarendon, Donley County, Clarendon ISD, Donley County Hospital District, the Clarendon College District, and the Panhandle Ground Water Conservation District. These properties were put up for auction and went unsold at the tax sale. The properties are then “struck-off” to the entities.

October 9, 2019 Hedley ready to host Cotton Festival

Hedley residents are making preparations to host their 68th annual Cotton Festival on Friday and Saturday, October 11 and 12.

The Hedley Lioness Club will get things going Friday with a Chili & Stew Supper at 5 p.m. The club will also be selling chances on a quilt. The Lions Club Hoedown will follow at 6:30 p.m.

Hedley’s One Act Plan will host Bingo on Friday starting at 6 p.m. and Saturday starting at 10 a.m. in the Senior Citizens building. All proceeds support the high school’s One Act Play.

Saturday’s events begin with the Hedley Fire Department’s Pancake Breakfast from 6:30 to 9:30 a.m., and the Rowe Cemetery Association will hold a bake sale.

October 16, 2019 Dr. Sheppard to leave local office Oct. 28

After 15 years, Dr. Richard Sheppard will end his local dentistry practice in Clarendon on October 28.

Sheppard, who opened his office here in 2004, will continue to keep his Booker office open, and Drs. Ed Vlosich and Spence Vlosich will open a new practice – Clarendon Dental Associates.

Sheppard says he’s enjoyed his time in Clarendon and particularly enjoyed the people he has gotten to work with.

“It’s been wonderful,” he said. “I’ve made some really long-lasting relationships.”

October 16, 2019 King meets with local constituents

State Rep. Ken King (R-Canadian) gave a recap of the last legislative session and listened to the concerns of Donley County residents during a stop in Clarendon last Thursday, October 10.

Speaking at the Clarendon College Bairfield Activity Center, Rep. King said his most important job at this point is the redistricting that will follow the 2020 US Census.

“Currently you need a population of about 160,000 to make a state house district,” King said. “That will change to 200,000. One rural East Texas district, and one rural West District will be lost.”

October 23, 2019 H’wick residents improving town

Residents of Howardwick are seeing signs of progress as community members work to address issues of safety and quality of life in the lakeside city.

Civic leaders have made strides in the last couple of months to improve fire protection capability, add more amenities

to the City Park, and reduce crime.

After a legal issue shut down the Howardwick Volunteer Fire Department, the city’s official department – the City of Howardwick Volunteer Fire Department – has been working to get back up and running and attained that goal this month. The department is now ready to accept and respond to calls.

October 30, 2019 CC Meats Team wins national title

The Clarendon College Meats Judging Team brought home the national championship after placing first in the 2019 Cargill High Plains Intercollegiate Meat Judging Contest in Friona.

At the awards presentation in Hereford Sunday night, Clarendon College had the highest placing team with team members Paige Perryman as the 4th high individual; Arliss Corliss, 5th high; Patrick Sharp, 6th high; and Conner Mikkelsen, 7th high.

November 6, 2019 Clarendon native pens children’s book

Ashlyn Tubbs Grotegut has made writing a career, but her latest endeavor – authoring and illustrating a children’s book – turned out to be a bigger challenge than she expected.

In 2018, the Clarendon native was attending DFWCon – a conference for writers – hoping to get information for a different project, but there was just one problem. Attendees are supposed to come with a story idea to pitch.

“So I thought, I’ll do a children’s story,” she said. “That will be easy.”

November 6, 2019 Lions celebrate 97th anniversary

The Clarendon Lions Club held its 97th anniversary Charter Banquet last Tuesday night, October 29, and

presented awards during the evening.

Attending and recognized at the Lions Club Banquet were Past President John Howard Texas Lions Camp Vice President Trish Wilson, Sweetheart Mattee Johnson, DG Dan Shuman, Sweetheart Kira Weatherton, District Camp Director Mike Poole, and Lion of the Year Boss Lion Scarlet Estlack.

Boss Lion Scarlet Estlack presented Lion John Howard with the past president’s award. Lion Howard then presented the Boss Lion with the Lion of the Year of award.

November 13, 2019 Overstreet, Upton run at state C-C meet

Two Donley County athletes competed at the State Cross Country meet last Saturday, November 9, in Round Rock.

Clarendon High School senior Kenny Overstreet made his third appearance at the State Meet. He finished 32nd in a field of 148 runners in Class 2A.

Hedley High School’s Jordan Upton came in 80th in a field of 147 runners in class 1A. Upton, an HHS junior, clocked 5:37 for the first mile and 11:57.22 for the second mile. He finished the race overall with a time of 18:32.30. The Class 1A winner had a time of 15:28.38

November 15, 2019 Dental office to expand service here

Donley County area residents are benefiting from expanded dental services thanks to Dr. Ed Vlosich and Clarendon Dental Associates.

Now in its second week of service, the new practice has picked up in the same office at Five Medical Drive where Dr. Richard Sheppard left off after 15 years of service to the community. The office itself has a new look with new flooring and a fresh coat of paint, but

familiar faces still great clients. Office manager Jana White and hygienist Tiffanie Word have been serving local patients since 2004, and dental assistant Emilee Evans has been in the business for five years.

November 15, 2019 Children’s benefit hunt to be held

The Big Country Children’s Benefit Hunt, a program of BCFS Health and Human Services, will bring to Donley County an outdoor expedition to provide an opportunity for youth to learn about the responsibilities of hunting safety, the basics of outdoor survival training, and the necessity of teamwork on November 23 and 24, 2019.

Last year, the organization added the Texas Panhandle to its list of outdoor adventures, headed by Randy Bond. Randy and his wife, Sis, have adopted three children from foster care and are currently waiting to foster others. Given his background in Law Enforcement, Randy has an intimate knowledge of the foster care system and values the importance of programs like the Big Country Children’s Benefit Hunt.

November 20, 2019 CC audit committee did not follow OMA

An audit committee of the Clarendon College Board of Regents did not follow the Texas Open Meetings Act when it met last month, according to college officials.

Board Chairman Tommy Waldrop said the committee, which was appointed at the September 19 board meeting and consisted of Jerry Woodard and Edwin Campbell, did not follow the law’s requirement to post an agenda of its meeting 72 hours ahead of time or keep minutes of its meeting because it was formed just to present items they wanted investigated to the college auditor and report back to the board.

As reported by Mr. Woodard at the October 17 meeting of the board, the committee did meet with the auditor on October 10, 2019, and presented a list of things to be addressed for the board.

However, on October 25, 2018, the same regents were appointed as an audit committee for similar purpose and were directed at the time of their appointment that they would have to follow the Open Meetings Act, including posting an agenda and meeting in public. Waldrop said during that 2018 meeting the college’s attorney had made that determination and also said that college policy required the committees of the board to follow the Open Meetings Act as well, and CC President Robert Riza reiterated that as well.

Mr. Woodard questioned that determination at the time of the 2018 appointment, and Regent Darlene Spier looked up the matter in the college policy manual and read aloud in the meeting the requirement that committees of the board must follow the open meetings act.

Asked why, if the following the requirements of the law was a known issue, the committee did not simply post an agenda and wait 72 hours to meet, Mr. Waldrop responded, “I don’t know.”

November 20, 2019 Broncos end season with loss to Ralls

The Clarendon Broncos have had an up and down year on the field ending the year at 6-5.

However, they were able to finish third in the District race, which put them in a playoff game with Ralls last Friday night in Tulia. Despite playing hard, the Broncos fell short 19-32.

“Friday did not turn out the way we wanted it to,” head coach Clint Conkin said. “This season was a learning experience for our players, and I am so proud of our guys. They got valuable playing time that will help them in the future.”

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