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

COVID-19 related announcements

Several local businesses and organizations have this week announced postponements or changes in plans for the weeks ahead.

The Sandell Drive-In Theatre was planning to open for its 2020 season the first weekend in April but announced last week on its Facebook page that it would postpone that opening until further notice.

The Mulkey Theatre is continuing with its movie this week, but the theatre will limit the number of people admitted to the show to 40.

The Saints' Roost Museum board met this week and decided to close the museum until March 31 out of concern for the health of its volunteers.

The parishioners of St. Mary's Catholic Church have postponed their Fish Fry nights scheduled for March 27 and April 3. The church hopes to reschedule those events at a later date.

The Friends of the Library has postponed its Trivia Night that was scheduled Friday, March 27. The group plans to host this event in the future, but no date has been set yet.

Hegar distributes March sales taxes

All three Donley County municipalities saw higher returns when Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced March sales tax allocations last week.

The City of Clarendon posted a modest gain of 0.69 percent at \$28,099.51 and is now 4.54 percent up for the calendar year-to-date at \$103,454.86.

Hedley was up 31.52 percent at \$649.20 and is currently 36.76 percent up for the calendar year at \$2,623.72.

Howardwick's March allocation was an increase of 23.5 percent at \$1,387.19 with that city's year-to-date total now sitting at \$4,304.15, up 27.33 percent compared to one year ago.

Across the state, Hegar distributed \$766.2 million in local sales tax allocations for March, 7.7 percent more than in March 2019. These allocations are based on sales made in January by businesses that report tax monthly.

CHS Class of 1970 plans 50th reunion

The Clarendon High School Class of 1970 will hold its 50th anniversary reunion July 3 and 4, 2020.

Organizers have planned a "meet and greet" from 5 to 8 p.m. at Pizza Hut on July 3, and the class will take part in the parade on July 4, enjoy the barbecue, and then meet at the senior citizens center for supper.

For more information and to make sure the class has your contact details, call Beth Waldrop Lester at 563-299-8293 or email Cindy Lowe Barnett at barnett12212-chsreunion@yahoo.com.



COVID-19 prompts CC to move classes online

Clarendon College is extending spring break, moving most classes online, and canceling spring sports in extraordinary measures to help mitigate the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

In an emergency meeting of the Board of Regents last Thursday night, college officials discussed the pandemic in terms of the safety of students, staff, and the communities CC serves.

Interim President Tex Buckhaults said the meeting was prompted by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, which had asked colleges and universities to report their plans for dealing with the outbreak. Buckhaults then presented regents with options

ranging from compressing the spring schedule and finishing the semester earlier to not allowing students to return from spring break.

Following the unanimous decision of the board, Clarendon College students will be on spring break from March 16-27. Students living in the dorms will be told to take their personal belongings home with them. Students who have already left for spring break will be allowed to return for their possessions.

During the break, college faculty and personnel will work to move as many classes as possible online. Some vocational programs may be too hands-on to be moved to online. College personnel urged regents to make the decision to go

online sooner rather than later due to the difficulty of moving a class online and training some faculty who have not taught online before.

Buckhaults said Tuesday that the college's career technical classes – welding, cosmetology, industrial maintenance, ranch operations, and nursing – are continuing to meet, although those programs are each adapting their classes to the current situation in different ways.

The loss of students in the dormitories is being felt by local businesses as well as by the college dining hall service provider, Great Western Dining. The dining service was laying off about half a dozen workers and closed its doors to the general public. In addition, Great

Western suspended any outside catering operations.

Buckhaults said a few kids remain in the dorm, and Great Western will continue to serve those students but with reduced operations.

The college also canceled all spring sporting events. Athletic Director Mark James told the board that baseball and softball students will retain a year of eligibility under the circumstances. Most other sports are finished for the year, although the college rodeo team still had events planned and the men's basketball team was scheduled to make their first appearance in the NJCAA national tournament next week. Earlier in the day, the NJCAA had postponed that tournament due

to concerns about the spread of COVID-19.

Other college related events that have been cancelled are spring graduation ceremonies in May and the spring invitational judging contest scheduled for April 4. The contest regularly doubles the population of Clarendon for the day it's held. Judging coach Johnny Trichel, however, said restrictions at other universities and school districts may have caused Clarendon's event to be called off anyway.

Dr. John Howard addressed the board in his capacity as the Donley County Judge and Emergency Management Director as well as a medical doctor. Howard said there

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Lowe's toilet paper shelves were completely bare Tuesday afternoon and other cleaning supplies as well as basic foods were being heavily purchased. Milk, eggs, bananas, beans, and rice were among the items in short supply.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

COVID-19 fears hit local stores

Local businesses are already feeling the impact of COVID-19 even with no cases of the virus yet reported in the Panhandle region.

Reports from other parts of the nation of people stockpiling or hoarding supplies became a reality here late last week when people began buying up local inventories of toilet paper and other goods. Many, if not most, of the buyers were from out of town. Several told an Enterprise correspondent that they were returning from ski trips in the Colorado mountains to their homes in the Dallas and Houston areas.

Sources told the Enterprise that Lowe's Family Center did more business on Friday than it did the day before Thanksgiving, which is typically its busiest time of the year. Limits were put on how many packages of toilet paper and paper towels could be bought on Saturday.

On Sunday those limits were extended to most other items in the store when biscuits and eggs started flying off the shelves. Customers are only allowed two of any one item.

Tuesday afternoon, Lowe's shelves were bare of Lysol spray cans and sanitizing hand wipes such as Clorox wipes. Beans, rice, eggs, milk, and bananas were among food items that were quickly disappearing from store shelves.

On Monday, Dollar General released a company statement saying it would dedicate the first hour of each shopping day to senior shoppers, as well as amend store operating hours beginning March 17. Clarendon's Dollar General was also hard hit by people buying up staple goods.

Additionally, all Dollar General stores plan to close one hour earlier than current close times

to allow employees to clean and re-stock store shelves, as well as for their health and wellbeing. Stores will continue to maintain current opening hours.

Throughout the community, businesses are doing what they can to protect the safety of their staffs and customers. The state has also released guidelines governing procedures and visitations at daycare centers and long-term care facilities.

Gov. Greg Abbott last week declared a state of disaster in all Texas counties due to the virus, and President Donald Trump declared the virus a national emergency. Both actions free up state and federal resources to combat the spread of the disease.

Small businesses and non-profits impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak maybe eligible for to

apply for disaster loans. The Small Business Administration (SBA) has designated COVID-19 as a qualifying event for the provision of Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL) for businesses and private non-profits in affected communities. Texas is currently working with SBA to qualify for this declaration.

The SBA says some organizations that have suffered substantial economic injury may be eligible for an EIDL of up to \$2 million, which will provide the necessary working capital to help businesses survive until normal operations resume after a disaster. EIDL assistance will only be available to small businesses when the SBA determines they are unable to obtain credit elsewhere.

For information, contact the SBA by calling toll free 1-800-659-2955.

No plans yet to let school out

STAAR tests, UIL events canceled

Clarendon and Hedley schools have no plans to cancel school as of Tuesday, but are feeling the first impact of the COVID-19 virus with the cancelation of UIL competitions and the upcoming STAAR testing.

With both schools on spring break this week, superintendents said Monday they are taking a "wait and see" approach before extending the break or otherwise canceling classes.

Many schools around the state are already taking measures to suspend classes amid the COVID-19 pandemic, but Clarendon Superintendent Jarod Bellar said no one in Region 16 had done so as of Monday.

"Right now we aren't going to make a determination on that," Bellar said about a possible school closure. "We're here to educate kids and keep them safe, and there won't be a break in that effort."

Hedley Superintendent Garrett Bains said his school was also waiting on any determination to close the school.

"As of right now, we're back to school on March 23," Bains said. "We have zero cases [of COVID-19] in the Panhandle, and I want those days in our pocket for when we need them."

Bains said he felt certain the virus would impact Region 16 schools in time.

"I bet we won't make it to May," he said. "It will touch every county eventually."

Bellar said all UIL academic and athletic events have been suspended across the state effective March 13 and lasting until at least March 29.

Monday afternoon, the UIL also postponed all rehearsals, practices, and workouts conducted outside of the school day until March 29 as well.

Also on Monday, Gov. Greg Abbott waived STAAR testing requirements for this school year.

Bellar said the state is leaving promotions and end of course exams to the discretion of local schools, but that Clarendon will continue to work to make sure students are where they need to be.

Bains said his students may still take the test but that he had not yet made a determination on that.

"I think it's worth looking at," Bains said. "It's an indicator, and we can tell if we're moving forward the way we need to."

Both Clarendon and Hedley schools say they are staying in close contact with the state and with Dr. John Howard locally. Hedley is going through a cleaning process while kids are on spring break, and Bellar said Clarendon School Nurse Debbie Thompson met with custodial staff before the break to talk about how the school can take extra precautions to combat the spread of germs.

COVID-19 poses risk to elderly residents

What is Coronavirus?

Coronavirus (COVID-19) is the disease caused by the new coronavirus that emerged in China in December 2019. It can be spread from person to person and is diagnosed with a laboratory test.

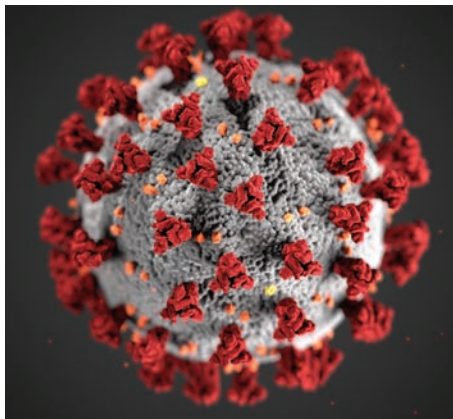
According to Johns Hopkins Medicine, diagnosis may be difficult with only a physical exam because mild cases of COVID-19 may appear similar to the flu or a bad cold.

There is no coronavirus vaccine yet. Prevention involves frequent hand-washing, coughing into the bend of your elbow and staying home when you are sick.

Here are a few frequently asked questions to help you better understand COVID-19, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Why is the disease called coronavirus and COVID-19?

On Feb. 11, 2020 the World Health



Organization announced an official name for the disease. The name of this disease is coronavirus disease 2019, abbreviated as COVID-19. In COVID-19, 'CO' stands for 'corona,' 'VI' for 'virus,' and 'D' for disease. Formerly, this disease was referred to as "2019 novel coronavirus" or "2019-nCoV."

How does the virus spread?

This virus was first detected in Wuhan City, Hubei Province, China. The first infections were linked to a live animal market, according to the CDC, but the virus is now spreading from person to person.

The virus that causes COVID-19 seems to be spreading easily in the community and in some affected geographic areas. This means people have been infected with the virus in an area, including some who are not sure how or where they became infected.

Who is at the highest risk for contracting COVID-19?

Early information out of China shows that some people are at higher risk of getting very sick from this illness, including older adults, according to the CDC.

People who have serious chronic medical conditions like heart disease, diabetes and lung disease also are at higher risk.

Thoughts on Coronavirus (COVID-19)

The President has declared a national emergency. The Governor has issued a declaration of disaster. Sounds scary, doesn't it? And some national news outlets would have you believe that the apocalypse is imminent! They have their reasons for doing this. Our editor asked if I could share my perspective. Consider this to be information you can trust, from a friend and neighbor.

What is COVID 19? It is one of literally hundreds of coronaviruses. We have known about them for over fifty years. Most affect animals. Seven affect humans. Of these, four cause symptoms like the common cold. You may have already had one. Three cause more serious illness. SARS (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome) appeared in China in 2002 and disappeared in 2004. MERS (Middle East Respiratory Syndrome) appeared in the Middle East in 2012 and is still present in camels. COVID-19 is the new coronavirus and was first seen in December in China, where the majority of cases, and deaths, have occurred.

As of March 17, there are 57 known cases in Texas, most in the Houston and Dallas areas. With more than 29 million Texans, that is less than one case per million. So why did they cancel the Houston stock show? Because many more may be carrying the virus and it could be 2-14 days before symptoms emerge (most in about 11-12 days). The virus spreads easily when people congregate in large numbers. And stopping the spread of the virus is our best defense.

That is why over the next few weeks we will see much disruption in the way we normally do things. An inconvenience? Yes. A disappointment? To be certain. A sacrifice? Sure – but I think of the sacrifices of “the greatest generation” and those who today serve us at home and abroad. Our first responders put others before themselves every day. And by the way, our law enforcement, firefighters, and EMS are among the best anywhere. They are prepared to face what comes. So, can we miss an NBA season?

I have been asked if we should cancel church services. My daughter's church in Phoenix did. A megachurch in Houston should cancel, and my recommendations for us might well change in the weeks to come. As of this writing in Clarendon, Texas, I think not. We need prayer and worship, especially now. But we should be prudent. If you are sick, stay at home. And we should avoid the handshakes and hugs for a few weeks. Save them for later.

Wash your hands, frequently! Cover your cough and sneeze. Stay home when you are sick. Avoid unnecessary travel. If you must travel, you might consider everything you touch to be infected and wash your hands, frequently! At least 8 of 10 people infected with the virus may have mild cold symptoms, if any. But they can spread the disease to others who, if susceptible, could develop more serious illness. Older people, those with diabetes, high blood pressure, lung problems, cancer or a weakened immune system will become more ill. This is why we must minimize the spread of the virus – to protect the most vulnerable among us.

This is why our lives are being disrupted. We are witnessing the most massive public health response I have seen in my lifetime – and my hair is kind of gray(ish). We have the best healthcare system in the world. And our clinic stands prepared for what may come. We can test for COVID-19 – but will do so according to CDC guidelines. These guidelines are evolving rapidly and we are watching closely.

The CDC recommends the following: Groups larger than fifty should not meet for the next eight weeks – that is the first week of May. Susceptible individuals (heart or lung disease or diabetes, among others, should avoid groups larger than ten.

We will continue to monitor closely. Be prepared for possible school closures.

Rest assured that your local government stands prepared as well. We are coordinating our efforts with state and federal government agencies. County, city, college, and ISDs will coordinate information and efforts for your safety. As information and recommendations evolve, The Enterprise will be a good source for current local guidance. What is needed now is not panic, but perseverance. Not fear, but vigilance. Texans never back away from a difficult challenge. We will face it together, and together we will prevail.

More information is available in handouts from the Clarendon Family Medical Center and online at ClarendonLive.com.



guest commentary
by Judge John Howard, MD

Go vote as you please (or not)

There was “people-watching” at its best recently when Texans gathered at polling places to exercise their voting preferences in primary elections. Yep, it was a foretaste of the “Big One” in November.

They showed up in attire ranging from the serious sloppy to “after five,” with a few of the latter adorned as if headed to an opera box. (Not to be confused with the Grand Ole Opry.)

So far as I know, there were no malfunctions – wardrobe or voting machinery – where we voted. Yet, it was a most unusual day....

For starters, several folks in line were wearing face masks. Two guys so “masked” appeared to be cowboys – one perhaps of the drugstore variety (fake), decked out in freshly-ironed, designer jeans, shirt with bolo tie and new boots still smelling of new leather. The other was wearing old britches, a sweat shirt with armpit stains and scruffy footwear.

Anyway, they “bumped boots” (that’s what they called it) upon entering the building, one of them claiming that “boot-bumping” seemed safer than “fist-bumping,” an act of greeting that may trace its origin to the outbreak of another flu strain several years ago.

Old-fashioned handshakes seem so “long ago,” when we claimed our word and our handshake to be “sacred bonds.” Somehow, citing “fist-bumps” or “boot-bumps” as our bond doesn’t have the same ring....

Voting irregularities seemed absent in our part of the woods. Friends and neighbors who “signed on” for 12 hours of tedious work, were “furrow-browed,”

determined to “get it right.”

Because of such rigidity, Rev. David Couch and wife Carrie didn’t get to cast votes. Theirs was an error of assumption.

Last summer, they swapped 10 years of urban living for a one-acre “spread” out beyond the city limits. After a 30-minute wait in line, the couple hoped they were at the right polling place, since time for voting was down to minutes. “You’re at the right polling place,” the voting official responded, “But, you live at the wrong address.”

They assumed that arranging for a change of address on their drivers’ licenses would be shared with election officials. David and Carrie, married for almost a quarter-century, had never failed to vote since becoming eligible to do so. Their change of address is now corrected in the voting records, and they’ll cast votes in the November general election, perhaps arriving early in the day in case of unexpected “malfunctions.”...

This reminds me of my late grandmother. She delighted in voting, since women of previous generations weren’t allowed to do so. Grandmother liked the procedures back then, when voters emphasized displeasure by marking through names of candidates they didn’t care for.



the idle american
by don newbury

They were handed ballots listing candidates’ names, along with dark, wide-leaded pencils (like carpenters use) to darken the names of candidates they wanted banished, probably forever. (Grandmother said she moistened the pencil lead to make the darkest mark possible.)

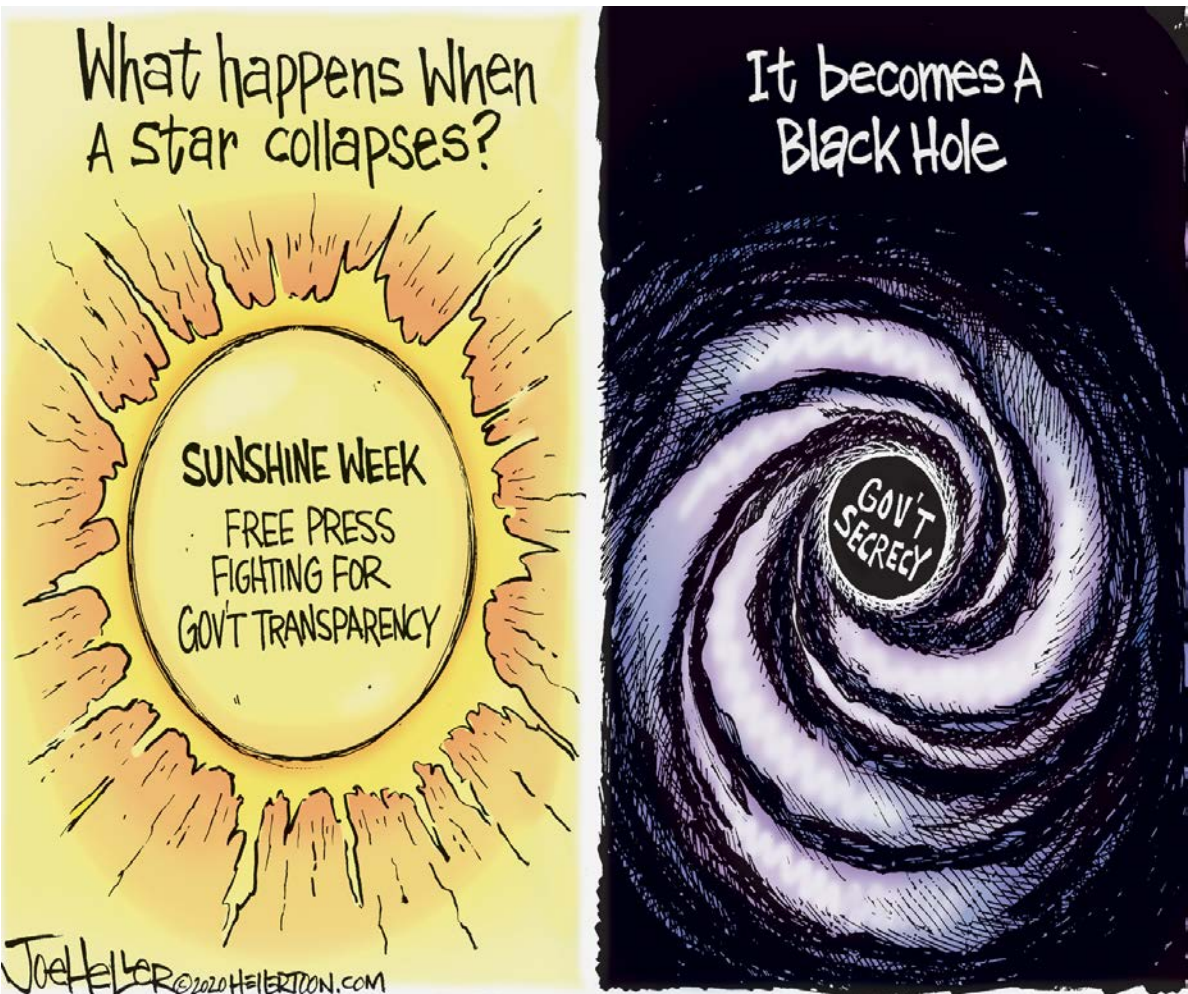
“I enjoyed ‘blacking out’ the names of candidates I didn’t like more than I did leaving one name unmarked to indicate my choice,” she said. (It was she who thought it was unbelievable that representatives of a thousand islands could come together and agree on a single dressing.)...

Meanwhile, the coronavirus has played havoc with our world, causing many cancellations, including schools, universities, concerts and athletic events, and I don’t know what all.

In the Metroplex, there’s been much “drum-beating” for the first major league baseball game in the Texas Rangers’ \$1.2 billion Globe Life Field. At this writing, the game remains “on.”

Assuming it is played, it won’t be a decision easily reached. Maybe they’ll hand out face masks to the first 10,000 fans. What about special seating arrangements, left-handers to the left, and right-handers to the right? Thus, “coughs into elbows” might be in the same direction. On the field, sending in relievers could take on brand new meanings....

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Sun is shining brighter in Texas

By Donniss Baggett, Texas Press Association

It’s Sunshine Week in America, and thanks to the leadership of key legislators, the sun shines brighter in Texas than it did a year ago.

The 2019 legislative session brought reforms to restore muscle to transparency laws that were pounded to mush by appeals court rulings in recent years. More on that in a bit.

Sunshine Week is observed annually to spotlight the importance of government transparency. By law, most government actions are supposed to be readily transparent via public meetings, public records and public notices so citizens can hold their government accountable.

During an election year, politicians of all stripes vow to let the sun shine on government business. “I’m all for transparency” is as common a refrain as “I pledge allegiance.” But once they take office, too many officials add a word to that sentence: “I’m all for transparency, but...” And they look for ways to avoid revealing how they spend taxpayer’s money.

In 2015, the City of McAllen held a holiday parade headlined by singer Enrique Iglesias. When the party was over, the McAllen Monitor asked for details on parade expenses — including a copy of the city’s contract with Iglesias.

The city refused, citing a dumbfounding 2015 Texas Supreme

Court ruling that allowed governmental bodies to keep their business contracts secret for competitive reasons.

It took four years, a major media campaign, two legislative sessions and intense lobbying by transparency advocates to put teeth back into some of the transparency laws eviscerated by rulings such as this by the Texas Supreme Court and the 3rd Court of Appeals.

Thanks to the leadership of legislators like Sen. Kirk Watson, Rep. Giovanni Capriglione, Sen. Kelly Hancock, Rep. Terry Canales, Rep. Todd Hunter, Rep. Joe Moody, Rep. Dade Phelan, Rep. Eddie Rodriguez and Sen. Nathan Johnson, some needed reforms were passed in the 2019 session. There’s still work to do, but at least Texans can again follow how government is spending their money in cases like this.

Thanks to one of those reform bills, on Jan. 1, 2020, McAllen’s contract with Iglesias was released for public scrutiny at long last. The city paid the singer \$485,000 for a one-hour performance. Taxpayers also footed the bill for a charter flight from Guadalajara, Mexico,



guest column
by donniss baggett

plus 24 hotel rooms for two nights.

Here are additional details reported by the Texas Tribune:

“The long-concealed document also sheds light on Iglesias’ preferred pre-show menu (one plate of chicken with vegetables and mashed potatoes, one plate of steak with vegetables and mashed potatoes, ‘simply cooked, no sauces’) and his post-show preferences (one California roll, one spicy tuna roll, one shrimp roll and two pieces of sashimi; tuna, yellowtail and salmon were all acceptable). By 3 p.m., his dressing room was to contain, among other things, thirty-six 500-milliliter bottles of room-temperature spring water (‘Fiji only’), one bottle of aloe juice without pulp, one bottle of aloe juice with pulp (‘Ask for clarification if necessary’), six bottles of room-temperature orange Gatorade, one bottle of KetelOne Vodka (‘NO SUBSTITUTES’) and two washed king-sized white sheets (‘THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!’).”

The McAllen case will be remembered for years as a poster child for government transparency and accountability. But the fight to keep the public’s business in the public eye will never end. As long as human nature is what it is, we’ll need Sunshine Week to remind us to stay vigilant.

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CISD Announces Sign Up Dates

Clarendon Head Start will be taking applications for the 2020-2021 school year on Tuesday, April 14 and Wednesday, April 15 from 12:30 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. both afternoons. You may make an appointment by calling the Elementary Office at 874-3855.

Children who will turn 4 years old on or prior to September 1, 2020 and meet qualifications will be considered for Head Start.

Head Start is a tuition free class for children who meet federal guidelines. Parents must fill out an application to see if they meet eligibility standards.

Please bring proof of income (income tax for 2019), immunization card, social security, birth certificate and public assistance you receive.

Pre-K registration will be during new student registration in August.

Meet our senior center volunteer

By Mary Lynn

Anne Purvis is an outstanding member of our volunteers at the Donley County Senior Citizens Center. Always smiling that lovely smile, she is devoted to her serve to others. Everyone loves to see her coming.

Anne attended school in Clarendon until her junior year. Later, she married William “Bill” Purvis in Turkey (not Texas) where Bill was stationed with the US Air Force.

They settled in Colorado where they ran a small business and also volunteered there.

After their move to Howardwick, Anne and Bill continued working with Meals On Wheels. The church they attended there provided many of the drivers for the program.

After Bill passed away, Anne continued with the couple’s wish to help the people on their route and also in the Center for more than 10 years. Ann says she volunteers because she loves it.

You can also find Anne working in the Burton Memorial Library, where she is two or more days a week. Our many thanks and appreciation to Anne Purvis, one of our Number One team of volunteers. Tell her you’re glad she’s with us.

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Menus

March 23 - 27

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken tender/gravy, au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables, wheat roll, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Soft beef taco, lettuce, tomato, Spanish rice, pinto beans, peanut butter cookie, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Baked chicken, cornbread dressing, mashed sweet potatoes, green beans, apple crisp, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Ground beef & tater tot casserole, buttered carrots, tossed salad, mixed fruit, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Chicken strips/gravy, mashed potatoes, cauliflower/broccoli, wheat roll, brownies, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Turkey pot pie, whole wheat roll, margarine, seasoned corn, tossed corn w/dressing, ambrosia, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Chicken ala king with rice, California blend vegetables, spinach, mushroom salad, wheat roll, chocolate cookie, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Ham & navy beans, canned sweet potatoes, turnip greens, cornbread, cherry cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Pork roast, sweet potatoes, succotash, whole wheat roll, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Vegetable beef stew, cornbread, margarine, tossed salad, orange pineapple cup, diet pumpkin custard, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD

Breakfast

Mon: Cereal bar, cheese stick, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Tues: French toast, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Wed: Scrambled eggs, biscuit, gravy, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Thu: Pancake wrap, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Fri: Cinnamon roll, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch

Mon: Corn dog, tater tots, baked beans, fruit, milk

Tues: Nachos, beans, salsa, garnish, ice cream, milk.

Wed: Xtreme burrito, corn, salsa, garnish, fruit, milk.

Thurs: Hamburger steak, gravy, biscuit, roasted potatoes, broccoli salad, fruit, milk.

Fri: Pizza, salad, carrots, cookie, fruit, milk.

Hedley ISD

Breakfast

Mon: Pancake wrap, hash browns, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Tues: Omelet, toast, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Wed: Waffles, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Thu: Pizza, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Fri: Donut hole, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch

Mon: Enchiladas, beans, corn, pineapple, milk.

Tues: Meatball sub, fries, veggie cup, strawberries, milk.

Wed: Chicken nuggets, mac n cheese, green beans, apple slices, cookie, milk.

Thurs: Pork chop, mashed potatoes, gravy, carrots, pears, milk.

Fri: Pizza, corn, salad, applesauce, milk.

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Superintendent Jarod Bellar listening to 3rd grader Brilynn Bruce (aka Christopher Columbus) tell her story of the discovery of America.

COURTESY PHOTO

Social Security offices available by phone only

All local Social Security offices will be closed to the public for in-person service starting Tuesday, March 17, 2020. This decision protects the population Social Security serves – older Americans and people with underlying medical conditions – and our employees during the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. However, the agency is still able to provide critical services. Its secure and convenient online services remain available at www.socialsecurity.gov. Local offices will also continue to provide critical services over the phone. Social Security is working closely with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), state and local governments, and other experts to monitor COVID-19 and will let you know as soon as we can resume in-person service. If you need help from Social Security: First, please use the secure

and convenient online services available at www.socialsecurity.gov/online services. You can apply for retirement, disability, and Medicare benefits online, check the status of an application or appeal, request a replacement Social Security card (in most areas), print a benefit verification letter, and much more – from anywhere and from any of your devices. They also have a wealth of information to answer most of your Social Security questions online, without having to speak with a Social Security representative in person or by phone. Visit online Frequently Asked Questions at www.socialsecurity.gov/ask. If you cannot conduct your Social Security business online, check online field office locator for specific information about how to directly contact your local office. Your local office still will be able to provide critical services to help you apply for benefits, answer your

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Obituaries

Davis
Charles Ray Davis, 87, of Howardwick died Sunday, March 15, 2020 in Howardwick. Services will be held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 19, 2020, in Robertson Funeral Directors Saints' Roost Chapel in Clarendon with Rev. Jim Fox, officiating. Burial will follow in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Charles was born January 18, 1933, in Mayfield, Oklahoma to Clarence and Mary Louise Davis. He was a US Army veteran. He married Nancy Darlene Walker on July 10, 1954 in Canadian. In his younger years, he loved bull riding.

Charles had been a resident of Pampa from 1956-1991, and had worked for Pampa Fire Department for 37 years where he retired as a Captain. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the Order of the Moose where he had served as past governor. In 1991, they had moved to Howardwick. Nancy preceded him

in death in 2015. He later married Gayle Edes on May 12, 2018. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Howardwick and attended First United Methodist Church in Clarendon.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his first wife, Nancy in 2015; a daughter, Darlene Usleton in 2006; a son in law, Doug Woods; a brother, Odell Davis; a sister, Clara Huffman; a great grandchild, Brook Baldwin.

He is survived by his wife, Gayle Edes Davis of Howardwick; two sons, Danny Davis and wife Julie of Amarillo and Donnie Davis of Pampa; a daughter, D'Anne Woods of Pflugerville; two brothers; five sisters; five grandchildren; and 11 great grandchildren.

The family request memorials be sent to Donley County Senior Citizens, First Baptist Church of Howardwick, or First United Methodist Church of Clarendon.

Sign the online guestbook at www.robertsonfuneral.com

Bobbitt
Emmett Carroll Bobbitt, 78, of Lubbock passed away Monday, March 16, 2020.



Bobbitt

was born August 13, 1941 in Clarendon, to Hardy and Nadine (Kerley) Bobbitt. He graduated from Clarendon High School and started working for GTE on September 1, 1959.

He was relocated to Memphis where he worked for 10 years before retiring in Hobbs, New Mexico after 12 years. Emmett married Shirley Mann in Clarendon on August 2, 1963. In 1998, they moved to Lubbock to be with their family. Emmett was an outdoors man who loved hunting and fishing. He was a talented handyman, wood worker, and a collector of guns and knives. He was a member of Sunset Church of Christ.

Those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Shirley Bobbitt; daughter, Lisa Raney and husband Chris of Lubbock; daughter in law, Katie Bobbitt Heffron and husband Mike of Albuquerque; grandchildren, Kaytlin, Maggie, and Reagan Raney all of Lubbock, Tyler Bobbitt and wife Cheyenne, and Travis Adams all of Albuquerque.

Emmett was preceded in death by his parents; son, Scott Bobbitt in 2005; siblings, Buddy Bobbitt, Norma Putman and Pamela Sue Bobbitt.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, March 20, 2020 at Venue on Broadway, 2202 Broadway. Inurnment will take place at a later date in Clarendon.

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Support local businesses during COVID-19 crisis

As many American businesses shut down or scale back their operations to prevent spreading the coronavirus, you may be wondering what you can do to help.

Even during a pandemic, there are ways to support the many small businesses in your community that might be struggling.

USE DELIVERY SERVICES

Some businesses offer curbside or home delivery options. If a restaurant or retailer offers some kind of delivery service, take them up on it. You'll be able to do your shopping or enjoy a delicious meal without the public health risk of gathering in large groups.

BUY GIFT CARDS

Even if a business temporarily shuts its doors, you might still be able to help them out by buying gift cards for future spending.

See which of your favorite local businesses offer gift cards or gift certificates, either online or in person.

If you have the means, buy a gift card now that you can enjoy later. You can either use it yourself or give it as a gift for birthdays or holidays. Local businesses could use

the support right now.

GET INVOLVED

Helping businesses recover from the temporary pandemic shutdown — a sacrifice they're making to protect public health — will likely require government assistance.

Fortunately, America has a democratic foundation. That means you can push for the best local, state and federal help that makes sense for small businesses in your community.

Attend city council meetings. Write your legislators. Make your voice heard, because supporting the best government response to this pandemic — whatever that looks like to you — is a powerful way to help the country recover.

BE POLITE

Where businesses are open, be polite and thankful to the people working there. Retail workers are under stress to restock shelves and keep customers calm amid an unusual uptick in demand for groceries, medical supplies and other essentials. If the shelves are empty, that's the fault of customers doing panic buying, not the store's workers. Be part of the solution by

not purchasing more than you need.

OFFER TO HELP

Look for ways to help your friends and neighbors who are temporarily out of work. That applies to the basics, like making sure they have food and supplies, to helping them find ways to bridge the income gap until their jobs come back.

For people who are working extra hours during the pandemic — especially health care workers — look for ways to ease their burden. You might be able to offer free child care until schools reopen, for example.

SPEND BIG LATER

Make it a point to support local businesses in a big way as soon as it's safe to do so.

Businesses still have utility bills, rent, loans and payroll expenses during the pandemic shutdown. Their resources will be stretched thin. You can help them survive and thrive for the long term by being ready and willing to do business with them again as soon as they reopen.

With your help, local businesses will be back up and running — and serving as the backbone of your community — as soon as possible.

The benefits of supporting local merchants

The Institute for Local Self-Reliance offers the following 10 benefits for shoppers and their communities when they shop locally owned businesses:

1. Local character and prosperity: In an increasingly homogenized world, communities that preserve their one-of-a-kind businesses and distinctive character have an economic advantage.
2. Community well-being: Locally owned businesses build strong communities by sustaining vibrant town centers, linking neighbors in a web of economic and social relationships, and contributing to local causes.
3. Local decision-making: Local ownership ensures that important decisions are made locally

by people who live in the community and who will feel the impacts of those decisions.

4. Keeping dollars in the local economy: Compared to chain stores, locally owned businesses recycle a much larger share of their revenue back into the local economy, enriching the whole community.
5. Job and wages: Locally owned businesses create more jobs locally and, in some sectors, provide better wages and benefits than chains do.
6. Entrepreneurship: Entrepreneurship fuels America's economic innovation and prosperity, and serves as a key means for families to move out of low-wage jobs and into the middle class.
7. Public benefits and costs: Local stores in town centers require

comparatively little infrastructure and make more efficient use of public services relative to big box stores and strip shopping malls.

8. Environmental sustainability: Local stores help to sustain vibrant, compact, walkable town centers—which in turn are essential to reducing sprawl, automobile use, habitat loss, and air and water pollution.
9. Competition: A marketplace of tens of thousands of small businesses is the best way to ensure innovation and low prices over the long-term.
10. Product diversity: A multitude of small businesses, each selecting products based, not on a national sales plan, but on their own interests and the needs of their local customers, guarantees a much broader range of product choices.

College: Howard says travelers may bring virus here

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were 23 confirmed cases in Texas of COVID-19, commonly called the Coronavirus, as of Thursday, March 12, with another 100 people being tested in the state. By Tuesday, state officials were reporting 57 cases across the state.

"The effort now is to mitigate the spread," Howard said. "It is spreading now and spreads rapidly. This is a novel virus. There is no immunity."

Howard said the local community is isolated in its rural setting from the virus that is mostly

in metropolitan areas currently, but travelers will be bringing the disease to Clarendon on US 287.

Howard and college officials also discussed that college students who do not currently have the virus may be exposed when they disperse for spring break and then return to campus.

Most people who get COVID-19 may not even know it, Howard said, but it is very dangerous to people with compromised health and threatens to overwhelm the healthcare system if the spread is not

mitigated.

"Our concern is not that young people will get this and get sick," he said. "Our concern is that young people will take it home to grandma on dialysis or uncle with COPD."

The virus can incubate for two to 14 days before symptoms occur, Howard said, during which time, the person may spread the disease.

"The Spanish flu killed at least 20 million people in 1918," Howard said. "That was influenza, and we don't want to see that happen again."



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CHS runners compete in Irish Relays

By Sandy Anderberg

Clarendon High School senior Jamal Butler was on his game in the Shamrock track meet last week.

Butler jumped 6’8” to take first in the high jump and had a leap of 39’8” in the triple jump for first. He also helped the mile relay to the win with a time of 3:46.37 and helped in the 800m relay for fourth place with a time of 1:36.88.

Jordan Herndon nabbed a win in the 100m at 11:39 and Aaron Roys outjumped his opponents to get the win in the long jump at 19’8”. The Broncos finished the meet in second place.

Results: 400m relay: 2nd 45.05 (Collin Butler, Jmaury Davis,

Sylvester Ballard, and Herndon); 800m relay 4th (C. Butler, J. Butler, Roys, and Herndon); mile relay: 1st (C. Butler, J. Butler, Donovan Thompson, and Roys).

100m dash: Herndon 1st 11.39; Davis 6th 11.69, Lamarcus Penigar 6th 11:69; 1600m run: Kenny Overstreet 5th 5:32.46; 200m dash: J. Butler 3rd 23.89, Davis 4th 23.92, Roys 5th 24.2; 3200m run: Overstreet 3rd 11:54.00; 400m dash: Roys 2nd 45.05, Thompson 5th 57.8; 800m dash: Overstreet 6th 2:27.71; Long jump: Roys 1st, Davis 5th 19’2”; Triple jump: J. Butler 1st, Herndon 3rd 38’5”, Penigar 6th 37’2”;

The Lady Broncos finished

fourth with 77 points in the meet. Madi Smith bested the field in the 800m dash for first place with a time of 2:42.

Results: 800m Relay: 3rd 1:58.45; Mile Relay: 3rd 4:48 (Smith, Kailee Osburn, Finley Cunningham, and Makenna Shadle); 110m hurdles: Shadle 19.37; 1600m run: Aleyah Weatherton 4th 6:54.00; 200m dash: Jade Benson 3rd 29.26, Shania Brown 6th 29.98; 300m hurdles: Shadle 4th 59.19; 3200m run: Aliyah Weatherton 3rd 15:10; 400m dash: Smith 3rd 1:13, Osburn 4th 1:17, Cunningham 5th 1:19; and High Jump: Osburn 2nd 4’6”.

Broncos defeat Shamrock on the road

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos made things look easy last week when they pounded the Shamrock Irish 18-3.

Brock Hatley was on the mound and only allowed four hits and two runs over two innings. Hatley walked one and struck out three hitters. Aiden Caudle and Josh Dunn were relievers to finish the game.

In the first inning, Harm Drenth got things going on a double and scored one run. In a huge second inning, Drenth, Jordan Herndon, Koyt Tucek, and Calder Havens all posted RBI’s.

In all, the Broncos had nine

hits on the day Drenth, Tucek, and Alex Gay had multiple hits with Gay leading the way with three. The team racked up 20 stolen bases over seven players. Collin Butler led the way with four and Tucek, Havens, and Jodee Pigg posted three each.

Later in the week, the Broncos participated in the WT Tournament and finished with losses to Borger and Dimmitt.

The Broncos led early in the game until the third when the Bulldogs were able to put four runs on the scoreboard when Clarendon began committing errors. Borger

was able to put together six more runs in the fourth and the Broncos struggled to stop them.

Aiden Caudle started the game on the mound for the Broncos allowing six hits and nine runs while striking out three. Herndon came in to throw for one third of an inning.

Offensively, the Broncos just could not get their bats going, and posted only one hit by Dunn.

The Broncos dropped the next game to Dimmitt at 1-15 over three innings.

Their only run came in the first inning when Drenth earned a run.

Lady Broncos smoke Hereford 15-0

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos turned up the heat after a disappointing loss to Claude last week and breezed by the Hereford junior varsity 15-0. The shut out began early in the game as the Lady Broncos’ defense was unstoppable in the infield.

Senior Madi Gay got the call to open on the mound for the ladies and pitched three and a half innings racking up a no-hitter before

sophomore Madi Smith came in to throw relief and also posted a no-hitter.

The Lady Broncos pounded their offense at the Herd and scored 10 runs by the third inning of play. In inning one, Jade Benson got the ball flying on a single and was able to score on Hereford’s errors to get on the board. A huge second inning gave the Lady Broncos the confidence they needed to stay

strong and get the job done early.

They took their 10-run lead into the fourth and stayed determined to get the call to end the game on a run-rule. With bases loaded, Kaylin Hicks and Smith after getting a free pass to first base, made it across home plate on Hereford errors. To seal the deal, Aubrey Jaramillo and Benson brought runners home with singles.

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NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE TARIFF FILING

Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) on March 16, 2020 its Petition requesting approval of its proposed Military Base Surcharge Tariff.

Section 36.354(a) of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA), at Texas Utilities Code § 36.354, provides that each electric utility in an area where implementation of full customer choice has been delayed by the Commission in accordance with PURA Section 39.103 shall discount charges for electric service provided to a military base. Section 36.354(b) of PURA establishes the discount to be provided to military installations as a 20 percent reduction of the base commercial rate that the electric utility would otherwise charge the installation.

Section 36.354(c) of PURA provides that the electric utility may assess a surcharge to all its Texas retail customers to recover the difference in revenue between the revenues from the discounted rate for military bases and the base commercial rate. SWEPCO’s Tariff Sheet No. IV-16 provides the Military Base Adjustment Factor per billing kWh as reflected below:

MONTHLY FACTOR

Major Rate Classes	\$/kWh
Residential	\$0.0000924
Commercial & Small Industrial	\$0.0000651
Industrial / Large Lighting and Power	\$0.0000352
Municipal	\$0.0000741
Outdoor Lighting	\$0.0001173

SWEPCO has requested that the tariff become effective with the first billing cycle of June 2020. The Petition has been assigned Tariff Control No. 50670. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon this proceeding must notify the Commission within 21 days of SWEPCO’s filing of the Petition. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136. The Company can be contacted at 428 Travis Street, Shreveport, LA 71101, or by calling (888) 216-3523 during normal business hours.



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p.m. Practice: Fourth Mondays,
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Betts - Secretary. 2 B 1, ASK 1



Donley County Memorial Post
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Meets first Tuesday at 7 p.m.
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Scarlet Estlack, Boss Lion. Roger
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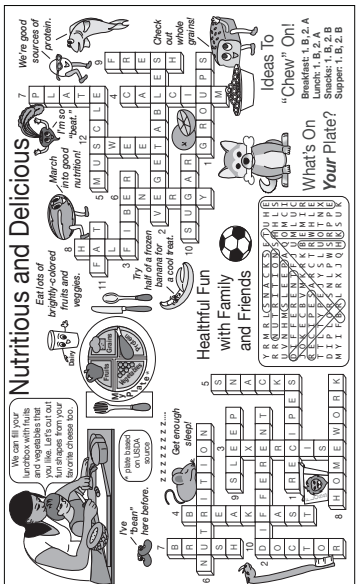
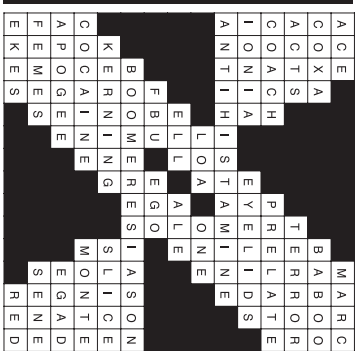


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Clarendon, TX 79226, Fax number 806-874-
2235, Phone number 806-874-2233 or email
dchdems@gmail.com.

Proposals are to be received by 5:00 p.m. cst,
on April 16th 2020.

Please send proposals to : Donley Co Hospital
District PO Box 1240 Clarendon, TX 79226, or
email dchdems@gmail.com.

Donley County Hospital District reserves the
right to negotiate with any/all proposers at any
time, before or after submission of a proposal.
Donley County Hospital District reserves the
right to reject any or all proposals and to waive
technicalities.

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Howardwick, Texas ("City") will
receive Proposals for the designation of a
Depository Institution for the period beginning
March 15, 2020 and ending March 15, 2025.
Such Proposals, addressed to the office of the
City Secretary, Howardwick City Hall, 245 Rick
Husband Blvd., Howardwick, Texas 79226,
shall be received until 3:00 PM, Friday, March
6, 2020, at which time the same shall be pub-
licly opened and examined. Such Proposals
may be presented to the Mayor and City Coun-
cil at the regular scheduled meeting at 6:00
PM, March 10, 2020, for consideration and
awarded to the successful bidder.

Any banking corporation association desiring
to submit a proposal for custody of funds for
the City of Howardwick shall deliver its pro-
posal to the City Secretary on or before the
date and time specified. The proposal must
be accompanied by a statement of assets
and resources of the bidder. The proposals
must comply with the applicable statutes and
be subject to the laws governing city deposi-
tories. The envelope containing the bid must
be marked "DEPOSITORY BID" in the lower left
hand corner of the envelope.

The City reserves the right to reject any and/
or all Proposals, waive formalities and accept
the bid deemed most advantageous to the
City. The City also reserves the right to place
or invest part or all of any surplus or excess
funds outside the designated depository, in
any lawful manner as may be determined by
the City Council, from time to time throughout
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Sandra Childress, City Secretary

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New Braunfels Area Car Club Swap Meet &
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www.newbraunfelsareacarclub.com. No Dogs Please.

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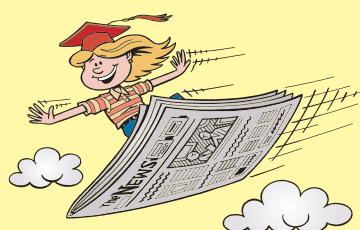
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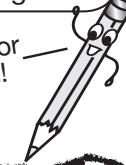


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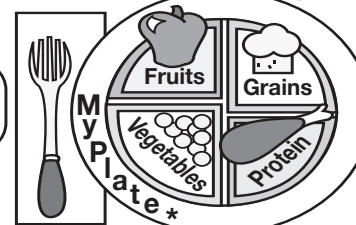


We can fill your
lunchbox with fruits
and vegetables that
you like. Let's cut out
fun shapes from your
favorite cheese too.

When families plan menus together we can choose our favorite meals. When
we shop together we can look for the freshest foods – vegetables and fruits
– and everyone can choose the kinds that he likes the most. By checking
labels on packages, we can learn which foods have the best ingredients.
When we cook at home we can adjust our recipes to use
small amounts of healthful oils, salt or sugar. Some families
are steaming or baking part of their favorite meals.

Read the clues to fill in the crossword:

- Choose foods from each of the food _____
every day: vegetables, fruits, grains, proteins and dairy.
- _____ are low in fat, sugar and calories and high in fiber
and vitamins, like vitamin A, which is good for our eyes and skin.
- Many fruits have _____ and are famous for vitamin C,
which helps to repair body tissue and heal cuts.
- Low-fat milk and cheeses will give you _____ for strong bones and teeth.
- Meat, fish, beans, eggs, peanut butter and nuts have lots of protein
to help build _____. Choose lean cuts of meat if possible.
- Oats, brown rice, popcorn and buckwheat are whole grains
with lots of fiber and carbohydrates that give us _____.
"My _____" lets us see at a glance what, and how much, we are eating.



Moderate amounts of fat
are good for your brain!

I've
"bean"
here before.

Nutritious and Delicious

Families may grab a
quick takeout meal when
they are pressed for time
or on the go. Takeout
meals can be a tasty treat, but
home-cooked meals are less
expensive, and we know exactly
which ingredients we're using.

Eat lots of
brightly colored
fruits and
veggies.

Try half of
a frozen
banana for
a cool treat.

March
into good
nutrition!

I'm so
"beat."

We're good
sources of
protein.

sugar

Check
out
whole
grains!

fresh

fat

fiber

half

sweet

groups

muscle

Plate

calcium

energy

Vegetables

muscle

groups

muscle

8. Notice that _____ of the area of MyPlate is for vegetables
and fruits.

9. We can buy _____ vegetables, ones that were frozen right
after picking or canned soon after – they are all good for us.

10. We can use less _____, go light on the salt shaker and add flavor
to our cooking by adding herbs like basil and spices like cinnamon.

11. Some _____ is needed for our body and brain to function well.
Choose liquid fats like olive oil rather than solid ones.

12. Eat _____ treats in small amounts: dark chocolate, half of a
frozen banana, a yogurt or low-fat ricotta cheese parfait with
nuts and fruit.

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SWEPCO reaches deal

SHREVEPORT, La. — Southwestern Electric Power Co. (SWEPCO) has reached a settlement agreement with all parties, including the Louisiana Public Service Commission (LPSC) Staff, the Alliance for Affordable Energy and Walmart, Inc., regarding SWEPCO’s proposal to add 810 megawatts (MW) of wind energy.

The settlement agreement is subject to final approval by the LPSC following the submission of testimony and a settlement hearing.

“This project is a key part of our long-term goal of serving customers with a resource mix of more than one-third renewable energy. In addition to the environmental benefits of wind energy, SWEPCO customers will save an estimated \$2 billion over the 30-year expected life of the new facilities,” said Malcolm Smoak, SWEPCO president and chief operating officer. “We appreciate the hard work of all the participants in this regulatory review as we seek to bring more low-cost renewable energy to Louisiana customers.”

SWEPCO is proposing to acquire three wind facilities in north central Oklahoma — known as the North Central Energy Facilities — in conjunction with its sister company, Public Service of Oklahoma (PSO).

PSO received final Oklahoma Corporation Commission approval Feb. 20, 2020, of a settlement agreement in its plan to add 675 megawatts of wind energy.

SWEPCO and all Arkansas parties reached a unanimous settlement agreement in January 2020. It is subject to final approval by the Arkansas Public Service Commission.

“The parties are continuing to work through the regulatory process in Texas in the hope that our customers in East Texas and the Panhandle can benefit from this low-cost energy while helping businesses and other customers meet their renewable energy goals,” Smoak said.

SWEPCO’s proposal is scalable to align with regulatory approvals by state, subject to commercial limitations. Two states that approve the project would have the ability to increase the number of megawatts allocated to them if one state does not approve the proposal.

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has approved the acquisition of the wind facilities by SWEPCO and PSO.

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