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

## 287 in Hedley to open Friday

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) has announced the expected reopening of US 287 in Hedley by the close of business on Friday, March 27.

Final striping will be completed earlier in the week with the traffic swap to occur at the end of the week.

"Once the new roadway is striped for the final configuration and all main lanes are open to traffic, locals are encouraged to use the new auxiliary lanes for turning movements off US 287 at Bailey and McDougal Streets," stated Childress District Area Engineer Matt Herbstritt. "While access to Hedley will be restored by Bailey and McDougal Streets, the SH 203 intersection will remain closed until the drainage improvements are finalized at that location."

"Workers will continue to be present on site over the coming weeks as the contractor finalizes drainage and illumination improvements," ended Herbstritt.

For more information, contact TxDOT Public Information Officer Ginger Wilson at (940) 937-7288.

## Worship to be held Sunday at Sandell

Howardick Baptist Church Pastor Jim Fox announced Tuesday that plans are being made for a community-wide worship service to be held at the Sandell Drive-In this Sunday at 10 a.m.

Fox said he and several other local churches were working together on the plan, which would have a stage set up near the Sandell screen with residents being able to watch and listen from their cars. Musicians from the participating churches would each take a turn delivering a message and singing in groups of five or less.

The audio would be broadcast over the Sandell's FM band that is usually used for movies.

"The Lord laid this on my heart, and I think our community needs it," Fox said.

Fox said there are three basic rules that everyone must follow. Everyone must stay in their cars. There is to be no honking for "Amen's." And there are no bathrooms available.

## CCISD trustees vote to keep paying staff

Clarendon school trustees in a called meeting Monday night approved a resolution that ensures all district employees will continue to be paid even in the event of an emergency school closing.

In the current situation, the school is not technically closed even though students are not on campus. Monday's move would make sure that all district employees can count on their paycheck even if a "shelter in place order" or other emergency action was taken.

The measure covers all employees - contract or non-contract on salary or paid hourly, according to school officials.



# City, county proclaim COVID-19 disasters

Disaster declarations have been issued by Donley County and the City of Clarendon due to the public health emergency presented by the spread of COVID-19.

As of Tuesday morning, no confirmed cases of the virus had been reported in Donley County, but six cases were confirmed in the Amarillo area, and one person had died from the disease.

In addition to opening up state and federal resources, the county declaration, which was issued by Judge John Howard on Thursday and confirmed by the commissioners' court on Monday, grants the county

broad authority to close businesses, quarantine people, prohibit public meetings, and even limit ingress and egress to and from the county.

Judge Howard says he is not going to use that authority at this time, hoping instead that people will voluntarily take the precautions needed to slow the spread of the disease.

"The things we are doing now will help limit the spread of the disease before we even know there is a case," Howard said Tuesday.

Earlier last week, the judge had said he did not think churches needed to suspend services, but he

said that advice was now "out the window" with the confirmation of cases in nearby Amarillo.

A list of known church closures or postponements are page four of this week's Enterprise.

Howard's order was in effect on its own for seven days, but the county commissioners ratified the action Monday, which allows it to stay in place for up to 60 days.

The City of Clarendon also issued a Local Disaster Declaration in an emergency meeting last Thursday night in the face of the COVID-19 threat.

The declaration, which will

have to be renewed every seven days, will help the city access state and federal resources as the world continues to grapple with the pandemic.

The city council also approved a Coronavirus Action Plan and triggered Phase 2 with the confirmed cases COVID-19 in Amarillo. Those Phase 2 rules includes the following:

The City will reimburse customers the \$3 convenience fee when they pay city bills by credit card. The City will discontinue utility disconnects. The City will waive late fees. The City will not accept cash payments. The City will provide signage at City Hall and Library to inform

customers of potential closure.

Also on Thursday, Gov. Greg Abbott issued an executive order to contain the spread of COVID-19 that includes closing restaurants and bars to dine-in business, closing gyms, closing schools, limiting social gatherings to 10 people, and banning people from visiting nursing homes except for critical care.

Complete coverage of Abbott's action can be found here: <https://bit.ly/3906SVL>

The Chamber of Commerce has posted on its Facebook page a listing of local restaurants still serving the public with carry-out options.



## Keeping kids fed

Top photo: Clarendon School Cafeteria personnel took to the sidewalk this week to make sure all kids up to age 18 had a free meal available for breakfast and lunch. Youngsters don't even have to be enrolled in Clarendon CISD or be a resident of Donley County to take advantage of the program. Bottom photo: Katrina Leeper (right) hands lunches to Scarlet Estlack on Tuesday.

ENTERPRISE PHOTOS

# Schools working to keep providing meals, lessons

Clarendon and Hedley students will not be attending school until at least April 3 following an executive order from Gov. Greg Abbott last Thursday as officials across the state work to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Despite not being able to physically be in the classroom, students still have work to do with lessons being prepared and distributed this week in the form of digital delivery or homework packets or other methods.

Superintendents of both schools had previously announced on Wednesday that would suspend classes through March 27 before

Abbott trumped local districts with the closure order. School personnel moved quickly to find new ways to deliver educational materials to their students.

"With the rapidly changing landscape caused by the COVID-19 (Coronavirus), we are continuing to monitor and make adjustments as necessary in order to make educated decisions for the students and staff of CISD," Clarendon CISD Superintendent Jarod Bellar said.

"The health and safety of our students, staff, and community are our priority as we navigate this difficult time."

Extracurricular activities at

both schools are still canceled at this time, and the University Interscholastic League has also postponed all practices and workouts.

"Please know that this decision does not come lightly," Hedley Superintendent Garrett Bains said. "We recognize that this decision will cause significant difficulties for parents."

Both schools also began offering food service again on Monday. The food service is available for all kids up to age 18 whether they are enrolled in a Donley County school or not even residents of the county.

Clarendon CISD is serving breakfast from 7:30 a.m. to 8:00

a.m., and lunch from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Breakfast and lunch is a grab-n-go option where parents and guardians will drive to a designated area between the cafeteria and the elementary school entrance on W. 5th Street.

Parents will not have to get out of their car. Clarendon CISD will pass out meals based on the number of children in the household.

Clarendon officials served 39 breakfasts and 56 lunches on Monday. That number was up to 112 for breakfast on Tuesday after the district began deliveries to Howardick and north of US 287 in Clarendon.

Hedley CISD also began food service no Monday with deliveries to bus stops in for students in Clarendon and Memphis at 10 a.m. Parents and guardians who live in Hedley can pick up their grab and go meals from the school beginning at 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. by pulling up to the bridge on the east side of the school where personnel will bring meals to them.

Clarendon and Hedley will also begin distributing instructional packets Thursday, March 26. Parents should contact their students' respective campuses if they have not already been contacted about this process.

# Appraisal district now accepting property tax renditions

The Donley Appraisal District is reminding everyone that the deadline is approaching to file you rendition forms.

Almost everyone with personal property in the Donley Appraisal District has now been mailed rendition forms. A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district listing all the taxable property you owned or

controlled on January 1 of this year. Complete the listing of your taxable personal property and return the forms by April 15, 2020. All personal property must be rendered each year even if there has been no change from the prior year. You should include cars, pickups, trucks, RV's, motorcycles, travel trailers, and airplanes.

Renditions must be signed, and you may, although it is not required, list an opinion of market value. If you give your opinion of your property's value and the appraisal district believes the value is higher, you will be notified in writing of the higher value and told how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.

If you own a business, you should also render your business inventory held for resale, and other business related equipment that was owned or managed as of January 1. Separate rendition forms have been mailed to business owners.

Business owners not filing renditions by the April 15, 2020, deadline will be assessed a penalty of 15

percent.

Property owners needing more time to file their renditions may file a written request with the chief appraiser on or before April 15 to receive an extension to May 15.

File your rendition with the appraisal district office at 304 S Kearney or mail to PO Box 1220, Clarendon TX 79226.

# My Nanny’s legacy of love

I have been blessed in my lifetime to know and be loved by two incredible women, my grandmothers.

My mom’s mom, whom I called Nano, passed away when I was 12; but before her death, she was my person. She was the one I could turn to with questions, or problems at home or issues at school. She always listened and gave the best advice. I lived with her the last summer she was alive so that she wasn’t alone at night, and in those weeks we spent hours talking, playing cards, watching TV, and just laughing while she told me all kinds of stories.

I remember the night she passed away. We had been able to see her earlier in the day to say our goodbyes. My brother, sister, and I were staying with my dad’s parents for the night, and when we heard over the scanner that a justice of the peace was needed at the nursing home. I knew in my heart my Nano was gone.

My dad’s mom, whom I called Nanny, grabbed me and held me while I cried that night. And in those moments she became my new person.

Very few memories of my childhood and even my teen years don’t include my Nanny and Granddad.

From a very early age I can remember gathering as a group of cousins to stay the night at their house.

We’d play tea party with these little silver trays and cups using water and crackers. She even pulled out those little cups and trays years later and had a tea party with Ella - and it was wonderful to see.

We spent hours playing in the trailer they had beside their house and used old spices, flour, and cornmeal to make the best sunbaked mud pies.

We jumped through the freezing cold sprinkler and played on their epic tall slide – that was a sign you were a big kid... you got to go down the slide by yourself.

I remember enjoying fresh strawberries right out of the garden, and I personally loved Granddad’s tomatoes every year. Even after I got married he’d drop by with a big ice cream bucket full for me to enjoy.

My love for The Golden Girls is rooted in my time spent with Nanny. I have vivid memories of my sister, cousins, and me lined up in bed while Nanny sat in the floor, and we’d watch this little old TV in their spare bedroom that had a big turn dial instead of a remote.

Nanny played the piano in church growing up and always let us tinker away and even tried to show us how... but I don’t think any of us were patient enough for that.

I remember working with her at Harlan’s Flowers making deliveries in this little yellow van, and she wouldn’t leave a house without finding a way to deliver the flowers... even if that meant getting creative about how she got inside. She assured us no one would get mad at us for going inside, because we were leaving them a dozen roses we weren’t taking anything.

She taught us to play games - we would spend countless hours playing games – Rummikub, Phase 10, and more. We played at the lake as kids under the shade in the jet ski trailer, and we played at their little table in their kitchen, and we played games on every vacation trip to the mountains. Every family gathering seemed to always include some sort of games and playing in Nanny and Granddad’s massive closet that doubled as our play room. I can still smell the big ice cream bucket of crayons they kept in there for us.

After church on Sundays we’d all go out to eat as a big family, and Nanny would tell the little granddaughters “when anyone tells you how pretty you look, tell them ‘thank you, I look just like my Nanny’ and I’ll pay you a \$1” – I’m pretty sure I was the only little girl who took her up on that, and I’d march over to her with my hand out every week to collect my dollar.

I’m also pretty sure that’s when we started telling each other “I love you more” and tried to win by being the last one to say it. This was something she later shared with my daughter Ella and we never hung up the phone or left without saying “I love you, more.” Nanny always seemed to win that argument, even though Ella was pretty good at trying to outsmart her.

She taught us to always eat dessert first – that way you are certain to not run out of room for the sweet stuff in life.

She taught us about family – every Christmas was spent at their house. We’d spend Christmas Eve there playing games, eating finger foods and then we’d go to the candlelight service at church together. The next morning we’d go back to their house to show off everything Santa had brought, we’d eat way too much food with the adults around the grown up table and us kids finding whatever spot we could around the house. And I remember the Christmas Story pretty much played on a loop for 2 solid days on the TV in their bedroom.

Vacations as a kid also included my grandparents. We’d spend a week, sometimes two, with them in the mountains. We all stayed in campers or in the backs of our Suburbans. We cooked around a campfire, fished, and explored the wilderness. We’d take one day and go into Red River to ride the go-karts, go up the ski lift, and eat out.

She did not teach us how to cook. Nanny was not an amazing cook, but I think she may always be remembered for her baking skills in the mountains. Making biscuits doesn’t seem too hard, right? Well, we dubbed her biscuits CBs, or crispy biscuits. I’m not sure what happened, but they always turned out as these hard rocks, and we’d tease her and ask if she was making more CBs for breakfast.

And I can remember one camping trip where a bag of peaches might have attracted some unwanted visitors, and another trip where a cousin scared away a bear with a rock and metal folding chair.

Let’s just say those trips were always memorable, and I wouldn’t trade the quality time we spent together as a family for anything.

We made amazing memories growing up with our Nanny and Granddad, and even after I got married they were always there.

After each of our babies were born, they were the first visitors to show up to love on them and welcome them home.

Nanny would just call out of the blue to say hi; and after she moved into the nursing home, it became a tradition that we’d go visit and take her a strawberry milkshake. If we showed up empty handed, she’d notice.

Granddad was a man of few words, but the last time I saw him I told him I loved him and he responded by telling me he loved me too and he loved all his grandkids. I’m not sure I’d ever heard him say those words out loud, even though I always knew he loved us. But having those words be our last conversation was comforting for my heart to know that he knew who I was and wanted us to know he loved us up until the very end.

I personally spent hours at a time visiting with Nanny. Over the years we talked about life, boys, school, family, and our faith.

She taught us a lot about faith. It seems like her television was always turned to a Christian station or some type of sermon being preached or The 700 Club.

She held Bible studies in that trailer out beside her house, and was always in church – and made sure we were too.

Luke 1:45 says “Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill his promises to her!”

I believe God has fulfilled his promises to Nanny and she has been made whole in Him.

For many, many years she was in pain and she battled a back injury that changed the way she was able to enjoy life.

She went from the free-spirited and energetic grandmother who rode jet skis while wearing this hilarious purple feathered wig, to someone who I saw literally crawl across the floor in pain trying to get relief.

God couldn’t heal her while she was on this Earth, but he has made her perfectly new in Heaven. I am comforted knowing she is no longer in pain, she can walk hand-in-hand with Granddad again, and I’d like to think she might be riding jet skis again with her friends who went on before her.

My sister and I spent a couple of precious hours with Nanny this week. Our cousin told us she was in need of a manicure, so we gathered up supplies and went to see her. Anndria cleaned and filed her nails, and I gave her a new coat of polish. We then read to her from her Bible and got to tell her how much we loved her one last time. And I finally won the argument and told her I loved her more.

Matthew 5:8 says “Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.” I believe that Nanny is now in heaven with God, our Granddad, her siblings, and so many other loved ones.

She is exactly where she always knew she’d be, because she was a woman of faith who loved the Lord and lived to serve him and bring others to Christ.

She will always be an inspiration to me and be an example of a strong woman who loved her family and lived by faith. We will miss her always.

And Nanny, I love you more.



guest commentary by ashlee estlack

# A tale of a most unusual day

My Uncle Mort, who lives so far out in the country that nobody passes his house going to town, called the other day.

“I’m going to shock you, nephew,” he said. “‘Cause I’m planning a ‘give-away’ that folks won’t be able to refuse.”

He had my attention. I felt flushness in the face – sure that my breathing had shortened. And what about the palpitations in a heart worked over with four bypasses and a valve job more than two decades ago? Were these multiple signals that I might be next in line for the feared coronavirus?

This was a “new tune” from my 106-year-old uncle who is best known for “get-rich-quick” schemes that have always turned to “clabber.” Could Mort’s proposed “giveaway” represent a sudden 180-degree turn toward “get-poor-slowly?”....

I’m sure I missed several details, stunned with hearing such from one who seems to have grown charitable, no longer interested in riches.

Formerly, his “riches” were always right over the next hill. He dreamed of opulence, including a change in names for his homeplace from “Billy Goat Hill” to “Angora Knoll.”

Luckily, it seems, lean-to’s, sheds and barns on his spread have made it possible for Mort to “save up” as “hoarders” do. He has a stockpile of yardsticks. And in another shed, a barrel of small hinges, the very size needed to connect two yardsticks to make a simple six-foot measure. How handy is this for help with social distancing?....

The gist of Mort’s plan makes sense. “We’re at a place in history where we’ve never been before,” Mort opined, mumbling about “uncharted waters,” and the need for well-intentioned inhabitants on this planet to “come together” while staying six-feet apart.

“I’m gonna run ads about my ‘giveaway’ of doubled yardsticks. There may not be a big run on ‘em, but I can make ‘em as needed.

“While folks are here – staying six feet apart, mind you – we’ll talk to each other. I’m gonna hand out Bibles, hymnals and other Christian materials. If any ‘back-biting’ breaks out, I can make a really long “poker” since I’ve got plenty of wood and lots of hinges. We’ll nudge ‘naysayers’ toward the back so the rest of us can talk, pray and sing.”...

Who knows? Uncle Mort may even come up with a poem about coming together while staying apart. Clearly, there’s evidence of the need to put much else aside as world leaders come together to determine what’s best for a planet quickly coming unhinged. There may be much more to fear than fear itself, with respect to late President Franklin Roosevelt’s well-known quote. As we grind to stops where we used to speed on, we are



the idle american by don newbury

forced to think about the world and our place in it.

Mort spoke of his preacher’s current sermon series entitled, “Broken Before Breakthrough.” Perhaps it “fits” both his congregation, and the world at large....

Mort recalled the words of a childhood poem that might be helpful for the living of these days.

The author is unknown. It’s about a couple of frogs:

Two frogs fell into a deep cream bowl. One was a pessimistic soul;

“I will drown,” he cried, “and so will you.” So with a despairing cry, he

closed his eyes and said, “Good-bye.” But the other frog, with a merry

grin, said, “I can’t get out, but I won’t give in! I’ll swim around till my

strength is spent. For having tried, I’ll die content.” Bravely he swam

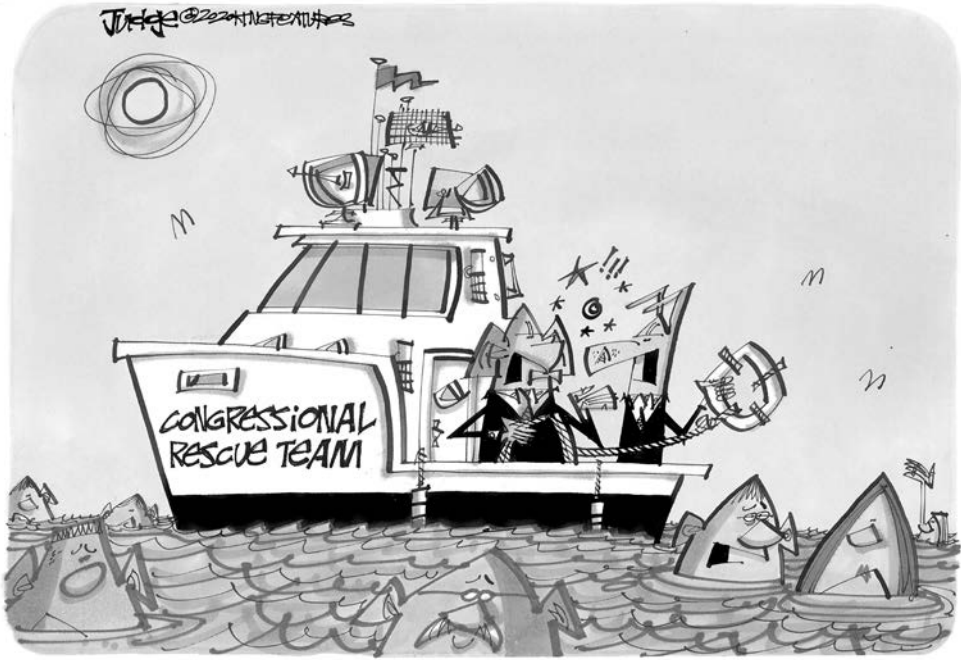
until it would seem, his struggles began to stir the cream. On the top of

the butter at last he stopped, and out of the bowl he happily hopped.

What is the moral? It’s easily found. If you can’t get out, keep swimming around!”

I thanked my uncle, assuring him that I’ll visit the thicket soon, eager to pick up my yardsticks.....

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# SBA stands with businesses

By Justin Crossie

Many Texas small businesses are already feeling the impact from the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and its disruption of the American way of life. Today, small businesses statewide are eligible to apply for U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL). We are processing applications as soon as possible and some are even processed as fast as a within a few days.

The Texas Governor’s Office and the SBA Disaster Office teamed up to rapidly make this recovery funding available to help minimize any economic disruption to Texas’s 2.7 million small businesses, who employ 4.7 million people across the state.

The SBA joins the whole of government response and stands beside Texas’s entrepreneurs ready to help guide them through this unprecedented chapter in our country’s history.

I’m grateful to work under Administrator Jovita Carranza who understands the challenges small businesses are facing right now. To get money to small businesses across the nation sooner, she revised the criteria for states seeking an economic injury declaration related to Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Her bold move to relax the criteria had two immediate impacts:

1. Faster, Easier Qualifica-

tion Process for States Seeking SBA Disaster Assistance. Historically, the SBA has required that any state or territory impacted by disaster certify at least five small businesses have suffered substantial economic injury as a result of a disaster, with at least one business located in each declared county. Under the revised criteria, states or territories are only required to certify that at least five small businesses have suffered substantial economic injury, regardless of where those businesses are located.

2. Expanded, Statewide Access to SBA Disaster Assistance Loans for Small Businesses. SBA disaster assistance loans are typically only available to small businesses within counties identified as disaster areas by a Governor. Under the revised criteria, disaster loans will be available statewide following an economic injury declaration. This will apply to current and future disaster assistance declarations related to Coronavirus.

The interest rate on EIDL loans is 3.75 percent for small businesses and 2.75 percent for private nonprofit organizations with terms up to 30 years. Loan amounts and terms are set by SBA and are based on each applicant’s financial condition.

Loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills that can’t

be paid because of the disaster’s impact. It’s important to note that for the first \$25,000 no collateral is required. Over \$25,000 you may be required to pledge available collateral.

Apply for loans online by visiting https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/, or call 1-800-659-2955. You can also email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

The SBA launched www.sba.gov/coronavirus to provide information about additional resources small businesses can access now. This includes financing through SBA Loan Guarantee Program – working capital, microloans, express loans and lines of credit – and counseling services through the SBA’s Resource Partner Network to help businesses navigate preparedness plans.

SBA is the tip of the spear in this administrations effort to combat and minimize any economic disruption to Texas’s small businesses impacted by the Coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19).

We will get through this together and SBA will be there providing resources and support every step of the way. Justin Crossie is the regional administrator of the US Small Business Administration’s South Central Region VI, serving, Louisiana, Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico. Follow us on Twitter @SBASouthCentral. The SBA empowers entrepreneurs and small businesses with resources to start, grow, expand or recover.

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Obituaries

Kidd

Joan Maxine Kidd, 84, of Clarendon died Tuesday, March 17, 2020 in Memphis.

Services were held on Friday, March 20, 2020 in the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Buddy Payne, officiating. Burial followed at Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon.

Arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors Clarendon.

Joan was born January 5, 1936 in Clarendon to Leonard and Terra Garland Putman. She married Bob Kidd on October 21, 1954 in Hall county and he preceded her in death in April 2010. Joan was a lifelong resident of Clarendon. She taught Sunday school at the Nazarene Church as well as the First United Methodist Church. She also loved RVing and camping. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband Bob; brother, Junior Putman; two sisters, Cornette Goodgion and Freida Gray.

She is survived by two sons; Bobbie Kidd and wife Missy, Doug Kidd and wife Nancy all of Clarendon; daughter, Kathy Holland of Clarendon; sister; Yvonne King of Amarillo; 10 grandchildren, 21 great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews.

Special thank you to the Memphis Convalescent Center where Joan resided until her death.

The family request memorials be sent to Citizens Cemetery Association PO Box 983 Clarendon, Texas 79226 or a favorite charity.



The Clarendon Lions Club suspended its regular Tuesday noon meetings this week and next week as the club seeks to do its part to mitigate the spread of COVID-19.

Boss Lion Scarlet Estlack said a decision about future meetings and the status of the annual Chance Mark Jones 5K will be made next week.

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.

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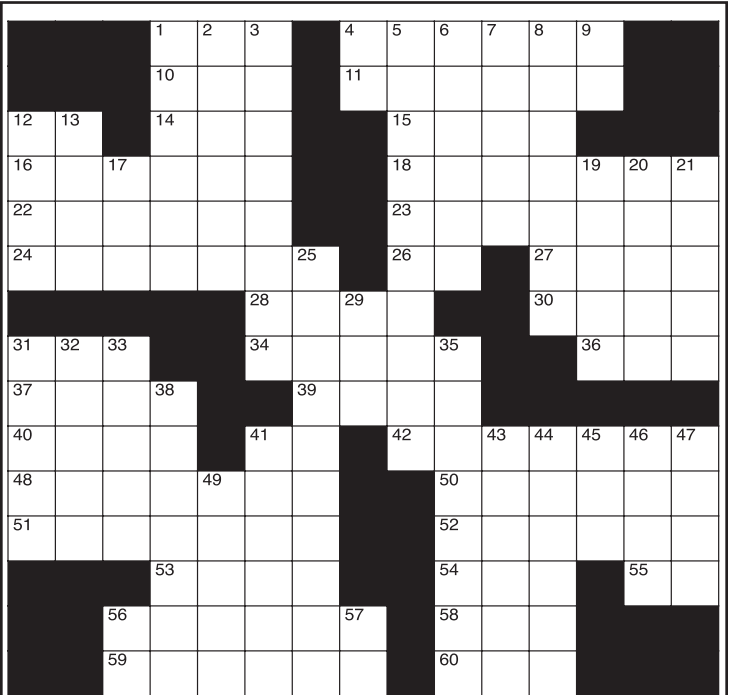
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- CLUES ACROSS**
- |  |                                    |
|--|------------------------------------|
| 1. Revolutions per minute                        | 34. Georges __, French philosopher |
| 4. Hymns   | 36. Sharp, shrill bark             |
| 10. Brew   | 37. Albanian monetary units        |
| 11. Did not acknowledge                          | 39. Launched Apollo                |
| 12. Atomic #77                                   | 40. One who graduated              |
| 14. Partly digested food                         | 41. Exist                          |
| 15. Not one                                      | 42. Passed by                      |
| 16. Lesotho capital                              | 48. Very unpleasant smell          |
| 18. Copyreading                                  | 50. Graduates                      |
| 22. Living organism that feeds on organic matter | 51. Seedless raisin                |
| 23. One's biological father                      | 52. Self-protection                |
| 24. An aggregate of molecules                    | 53. Clue                           |
| 26. Equally                                      | 54. Life-savers                    |
| 27. Khoikhoi people                              | 55. Ingest too much                |
| 28. Jump in figure skating                       | 56. Misrepresented                 |
| 30. Lantern                                      | 58. Small Eurasian deer            |
| 31. TV network                                   | 59. Most mocking                   |
|  | 60. Soviet Socialist Republic      |

- CLUES DOWN**
- |                                  |   |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 1. Flower cluster                | 29. Amount of time                        |
| 2. A form                        | 31. Mollusks                              |
| 3. Inner organ regions           | 32. German municipality                   |
| 4. Local law enforcement         | 33. Body part                             |
| 5. A citizen of Senegal          | 35. City of Angels hoopsters              |
| 6. Positively charged electrodes | 38. Suffocate                             |
| 7. Connects granules             | 41. Pleasing to the eye                   |
| 8. Business practice             | 43. Poplar trees (Spanish)                |
| 9. The Mount Rushmore State      | 44. Ship officer                          |
| 12. Leader                       | 45. Individual investment account (abbr.) |
| 13. Hindu queen                  | 46. Prefix meaning within                 |
| 17. Proofreading mark            | 47. Ceased to live                        |
| 19. European country             | 49. Day by day                            |
| 20. Greek mythological nymph     | 56. Not color                             |
| 21. Grandfather                  | 57. Condition of withdrawal (abbr.)       |
| 25. Clears                       |   |

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**March 29**  
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**Menus**

**March 30 - April 3**  
**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Chopped BBQ/sauce, whole wheat bun, pinto beans, Grandma's potato salad, mandarin oranges, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Roast turkey, savory bread dressing, candied sweet potatoes, wheat roll, pineapple tidbits, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Chicken strips/gravy, tater tots, turnip greens, sliced pears, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: BBQ beef/sauce, whole wheat bun, steamed broccoli, green beans, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: King ranch chicken, Spanish rice, pinto beans, tortilla, Mexican wedding cake, iced tea/2% milk.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Meat loaf/tomato sauce, mashed potatoes, Winter blend vegetables, wheat roll, apple fluff, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Sweet & sour pork, fried rice, mixed vegetables, tossed salad, fruit parfait, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin square, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Beef taco bake, Spanish rice, tossed salad w/dressing, country apple crisp, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, lettuce, tomato, onions, bun, brownie, iced tea/2% milk.

**DHDC working on expansion**

The Don Harrington Discovery Center in Amarillo is excited to announce an extension to the museum that will be opening soon. The groundbreaking on the new Outdoor Science Park, located on the southeast side of DHDC's front entrance, is on hold until we can reopen but construction has begun and will continue.

DHDC will be posting updated photos as major updates to the construction have been completed and pieces have been installed, on our website. Click the link below for more information about the Outdoor Science Park and to see any updates. I will also send out any major updates to you all by email.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to myself or to the DHDC's Executive Director, Dr. Aaron Pan at 806-355-9547 ext. 101.

**Foundation reopens disaster relief fund**

The Panhandle Disaster Relief Fund at Amarillo Area Foundation has been in place since 2006 and has been used numerous times to offer financial assistance, especially from devastation due to wildfires. This week, AAF contributed \$200,000 to the Panhandle Disaster Relief Fund. AAF's goal is to help meet the challenges that this crisis has placed on nonprofits across the Panhandle, especially in at-risk communities.

The Texas Panhandle is currently facing an unprecedented crisis due to COVID-19, but AAF's mission of improving quality of life for Texas Panhandle residents has not changed. The Foundation stand ready and willing to help.

The Foundation is continually monitoring the situation and the needs that are arising, but it anticipates that the general area of support will go to ensure that no one in our communities goes hungry or without medical care. It is also looking at opportunities to help first responders and employees in the medical field with childcare as they continue to be on the front line in our defense.

Statistics have shown that the Texas Panhandle has one of the highest giving percentages per capita in the nation. You may contribute to the Panhandle Disaster Relief Fund by donating online at <https://www.amarilloareafoundation.org/disaster/> or mailing your check to AAF - Panhandle Disaster Relief Fund, 801 S. Fillmore, Ste 700, Amarillo, TX 79101. Our staff is presently working remotely, please only donate online or by mail.

**Churches, organizations change scheduled activities for COVID**

Several local churches and other organizations have suspended or cancelled their activities as health officials urge citizens to practice "social distancing" and avoid gatherings of more than ten people in an effort to slow the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

The First Assembly of God in Clarendon has suspended all services until at least April 5.

The Presbyterian Church in Clarendon has canceled services through the end of March.

The Nazarene Church in Clarendon has canceled its service for this coming Sunday.

The Clarendon Church of Christ has suspended services with plans to resume services on April 5.

The Clarendon First United Methodist Church services are canceled until further notice.

Hedley First Baptist Church has cancelled service for this Wednesday and Sunday.

Howardwick Baptist Church has cancelled its services for the next week

First Baptist Church of

Clarendon will offer its services online.

St. Mary's Catholic Church has announced there will be no Public Mass celebrated from March 16, 2020 - May, 10 2020. The Cathedral will live-stream the weekend Mass: English - Saturdays at 5:30 p.m. and Spanish - Sundays at 10:00 a.m. View at [www.amarillodiocese.org/live](http://www.amarillodiocese.org/live). Also St. Thomas will live-stream daily Mass: Monday - Friday at 11:00 a.m. View at <https://amarillo.church/live>.

Also St. Mary's announced the following postponements and cancellations: Confirmation - Postponed, Friday Fish Fries - Postponed, St. Mary's Barbeque Dinner - Postponed, Joint Parish Picnic - Cancelled, and All fundraising for Church Building - Postponed. Adoration will be held Sundays from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Seating is limited and you must sign up by texting or calling Louella Slater at 308-991-2224. Confessions will be behind the screen on Sundays from 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

The Donley County Senior

Citizens Center is still delivering meals and to-go meals are available from the center, but the dining room is closed.

The Hedley Senior Citizens Center is serving to-go meals.

The Mulkey Theatre has suspended movies for the time being.

The Donley County Sheriff's Office has suspended visitation until further notice.

The Burton Memorial Library is closed until further notice.

The Clarendon Housing Authority office is not open to the public but we are here to answer calls, take care of work-orders and take money at the door.

Most businesses are still open, although several have posted notices about serving customers in their cars, encouraging the use of drive-up facilities where available, and discouraging people from the coming in if they are not feeling well.

If there are other postponements or cancellations, please call the Enterprise at 874-2259 or email [news@clarendononline.com](mailto:news@clarendononline.com).



**Recognizing local heroes**

Donley County State Bank employee Robin Sell (left) stands with Lowe's Family Center employee Jamie Cowley after the bank delivered pizza last week to both Lowe's and Dollar General employees for the gracious service they are providing to the community while doing their best to meet the needs of local residents during this stressful time.

COURTESY PHOTO / LOWE'S FAMILY CENTER

**Find the positive in your life**

I am happy to report Ole Jim, Buffy the Wonder Dog, and I are all well and following orders of Gov. Abbott to stay home, which isn't difficult for us.

I could tell what is different in my world, but instead I will concentrate on what is good and the same. Sunday morning as I sat on the deck soaking up some sunshine and talking to the Lord, the world came into focus for me. First, a robin hopped into my line of vision; tilting its head and pecking up a good morsel to eat. Next, came a lowly sparrow, it looked so happy, and I was reminded of the Bible verse about God's eye on the sparrow, and I know he watches me.

I began to relax and let God

take over and enjoy the birds singing, the distant sound of the train as it passed through Clarendon and the wispy clouds in the bright blue sky.

I saw the apricot tree in full bloom with bees coming out as the sun warmed up my world, and Buffy on alert and prepared to protect me if needed.

I began to look at the world in my usual positive way and thanked the Lord all my family are in good



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health and hanging onto their jobs. The refrigerator and pantry are well stocked, and there may be a movie somewhere on that television I haven't seen.

Suddenly, Mrs. Cardinal, with her buff colored feathers and red top-knot, flew into the apple tree followed closely by Sir Cardinal with his right red plumage. What a treat! I watched them until they flew away. The wind changed directions, and it was as though the Lord was telling me, time to go in.

My message is find something positive in your life to focus on, continue praying, we have many sick families, stay home at least April 3, and we will conquer this. God Bless you all.

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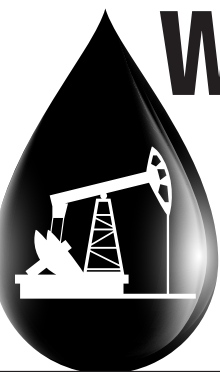
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Robertson’s announces new guidelines

Robertson Funeral Directors in Clarendon has announced changes to funeral services as the state and nation copes with the COVID-19 pandemic.

Chuck Robertson said the business is implementing the following recommendations from the State of Texas, the Centers for Disease Control, and local governing agencies effective March 20, 2020.

Those actions include:

- Adhere to the highest standards of cleanliness and disinfection.
- If arrangement conferences must be made in person, limit the conferences to five people. If you or a loved one live out of town or are unable to attend due to travel restrictions, we will offer to do arrangement conferences by Facetime, phone, or online. We will do our best to accommodate you.
- We will no longer allow public visitations in which the family receives guests. We will still provide come and go viewing as we have always done but we will be limiting attendance to five people at a time. We promise to provide the same high-quality care and services to each and every one of you as we have in the past.
- Until further notice, services held in a place of worship or in our funeral home chapel will be suspended for the time being. We will assist families with future memorial services. We will, however, continue to conduct graveside services for burial and/or cremation.
- Our website [www.robertson-funeral.com](http://www.robertson-funeral.com) is always available to read obituaries and to leave online condolences to support the families we are currently serving.
- We ask that if you are strictly just wanting to stop by and visit us that you call and make an appointment during this time.

“As we all respond to the Coronavirus (COVID-19), we want to reassure you that Robertson Funeral Directors will remain active and ready to serve all our families,” Robertson said. “The health and well-being of the families we serve along with our staff is our highest priority. We still believe that supporting one another at a time of loss is of utmost importance. We will continue to closely monitor any and all developments concerning the Coronavirus. We ask that you follow good personal hygiene, actively try to stay healthy, and if you or a loved one are sick, please seek medical advice and stay home.”

Sheriff’s Report

March 16, 2020

8:39 a.m.- Sheriff and Deputies to call at westbound 287 and county road 31

9:32 a.m.- One new inmate brought to jail

5:35 p.m.- EMS to call on Medical Drive

11:08 p.m.- Deputy to call near Best Western

March 17, 2020

8:54 a.m.- Sheriff to call on west bound 287 and FM 2471

9:35 a.m.- Deputy to call at 800 block S. Kearney

9:41 a.m.- Sheriff to call at 300 block Angel Street

10:01 a.m.- Deputy to call at 700 block S. Bugbee

12:35 p.m.- EMS to call at 100 block Olita

13:33 p.m.- EMS to call at Lowes

17:56 p.m.- Deputy to call at 1400 block W. 8th

18:29 p.m.- Deputy to call at 287 and 1260

19:05 p.m.- Deputy to call at 3rd and Hartzell

20:02 p.m.- Deputy to call at 300 block Carhart

March 18, 2020

7:49 a.m.- Deputy to call on N.

70

8:59 a.m.- Deputy transport 1 to clinic

21:48 p.m.- EMS to call at 1400 block W. 8th

March 19, 2020

9:14 a.m.- Sheriff to call at Outpost

20:16 p.m.- EMS to call at 600 block E. 4th

20:25 p.m.- EMS to call on Rosenfield

8:27 p.m.- Multi-agency response to vehicle accident

8:27 p.m.- EMS to meet caller at Ambulance Barn

March 20, 2020

8:47 a.m.- Sheriff transport one

2:38 p.m.- Deputy to assist one funeral procession

4:13 p.m.- Deputy to call near Dollar General

9:56 p.m.- EMS to call at 600 block S. Sims

11:02 p.m.- Deputy to call at rest area

March 21, 2020

11:08 a.m.- Deputy to call on FM 2471

2:07 p.m.- Deputy to call on 287 near Outpost

4:42 p.m.- Multi-agency response to traffic accident on 287

near College

6:57 p.m.- Deputy to call on 287 and Kearney

8:01 p.m.- EMS to call at Best Western

9:16 p.m.- Deputy to call at All-supps

March 22, 2020

4:05 p.m.- Deputy to call on EB 287 for erratic driver

4:46 p.m.- One new inmate to jail

5:27 p.m.- Deputy to welfare check near senior citizen’s center

5:43 p.m.- Deputy to call in Howardwick

7:04 p.m.- EMS to call

7:29 p.m.- EMS to call at 600 block N. Jones

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# COVID-19: What It Is and What To Do



## WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

### CALL YOUR DOCTOR:

If you think you have been exposed to COVID-19 and develop a fever and symptoms, such as cough or difficulty breathing, call your healthcare provider for medical advice.

### WATCH FOR SYMPTOMS

Reported illnesses have ranged from mild symptoms to severe illness and death for confirmed coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) cases.

The following symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure.\*

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of breath

\*This is based on what has been seen previously as the incubation period of MERS-CoV viruses.

If you develop emergency warning signs for COVID-19 get medical attention immediately.

### EMERGENCY WARNING SIGNS INCLUDE\*:

- Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
- Persistent pain or pressure in the chest
- New confusion or inability to arouse
- Bluish lips or face

\*This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning.



## IF YOU ARE AT HIGHER RISK

### WHO IS AT HIGHER RISK?

Early information out of China, where COVID-19 first started, shows that some people are at higher risk of getting very sick from this illness. This includes:

- Older adults
- People who have serious chronic medical conditions like:
  - Heart disease
  - Diabetes
  - Lung disease

### GET READY FOR COVID-19 NOW

#### Take actions to reduce your risk of getting sick

If you are at higher risk for serious illness from COVID-19 because of your age or because you have a serious long-term health problem, it is extra important for you to take actions to reduce your risk of getting sick with the disease.

- Stock up on supplies.
- Take everyday precautions to keep space between yourself and others.
- When you go out in public, keep away from others who are sick, limit close contact and wash your hands often.
- Avoid crowds as much as possible.
- Avoid cruise travel and non-essential air travel.
- During a COVID-19 outbreak in your community, stay home as much as possible to further reduce your risk of being exposed.

### HAVE SUPPLIES ON HAND

- Contact your healthcare provider to ask about obtaining extra necessary medications to have on hand in case there is an outbreak of COVID-19 in your community and you need to stay home for a prolonged period of time.
- If you cannot get extra medications, consider using mail-order for medications.
- Be sure you have over-the-counter medicines and medical supplies (tissues, etc.) to treat fever and other symptoms. Most people will be able to recover from COVID-19 at home.
- Have enough household items and groceries on hand so that you will be prepared to stay at home for a period of time.

### TAKE EVERYDAY PRECAUTIONS

#### Avoid close contact with people who are sick.

#### Take everyday preventive actions:

- Clean your hands often
- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing, or having been in a public place.
- If soap and water are not available, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol.
- To the extent possible, avoid touching high-touch surfaces in public places – elevator buttons, door handles, handrails, handshaking with people, etc. Use a tissue or your sleeve to cover your hand or finger if you must touch something.
- Wash your hands after touching surfaces in public places.
- Avoid touching your face, nose, eyes, etc.
- Clean and disinfect your home to remove germs: practice routine cleaning of frequently touched surfaces (for example: tables, doorknobs, light switches, handles, desks, toilets, faucets, sinks & cell phones)
- Avoid crowds, especially in poorly ventilated spaces. Your risk of exposure to respiratory viruses like COVID-19 may increase in crowded, closed-in settings with little air circulation if there are people in the crowd who are sick.

**Avoid all non-essential travel including plane trips, and especially avoid embarking on cruise ships.**



## DISINFECTING YOUR HOME IF SOMEONE IS SICK

As part of your everyday prevention actions clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects. For example: tables, counter tops, light switches, doorknobs, and cabinet handles.

Wear disposable gloves to clean and disinfect.

### CLEAN

- Clean surfaces using soap and water. Practice routine cleaning of frequently touched surfaces.

#### High touch surfaces include:

Tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets, sinks, etc.

### DISINFECT

- Use diluted household bleach solutions if appropriate for the surface. Check to ensure the product is not past its expiration date. Unexpired household bleach will be effective against coronaviruses when properly diluted.

*Follow manufacturer's instructions for application and proper ventilation. Never mix household bleach with ammonia or any other cleanser.*

#### To make a bleach solution, mix:

- 5 tablespoons (1/3rd cup) bleach per gallon of water
- OR
- 4 teaspoons bleach per quart of water
- Alcohol solutions with at least 70% alcohol.
- Household cleaners and disinfectants: Clean the area or item with soap and water or another detergent if it is dirty. Then, use a household disinfectant.

**Follow the instructions on the label to ensure safe and effective use of the product.**

#### Many products recommend:

- Keeping the surface wet for several minutes to ensure germs are killed.
- Precautions such as wearing gloves and making sure you have good ventilation during use of the product.
- Most EPA-registered household disinfectants should be effective.

### SOFT SURFACES

#### For soft surfaces such as carpeted floor, rugs, and drapes

- Clean the surface using soap and water or with cleaners appropriate for use on these surfaces.
- Launder items (if possible) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Use the warmest appropriate water setting and dry items completely.

#### OR

- Disinfect with an EPA-registered household disinfectant. These disinfectants meet EPA's criteria for use against COVID-19.

### LAUNDRY

#### For clothing, towels, linens and other items

- Wear disposable gloves.
- Wash hands with soap and water as soon as you remove the gloves.
- Do not shake dirty laundry.
- Launder items according to the manufacturer's instructions. Use the warmest appropriate water setting and dry items completely.
- Dirty laundry from an ill person can be washed with other people's items.
- Clean and disinfect clothes hampers according to guidance above for surfaces.

### CLEAN HANDS OFTEN

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- Always wash immediately after removing gloves and after contact with an ill person.
- Hand sanitizer: If soap and water are not readily available and hands are not visibly dirty, use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol. However, if hands are visibly dirty, always wash hands with soap and water.

Additional key times to clean hands include:

- After blowing one's nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After using the restroom
- Before eating or preparing food
- After contact with animals or pets
- Before and after providing routine care for another person who needs assistance (e.g. a child)
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.

### FOOD

- Stay separated: The ill person should eat (or be fed) in their room if possible.
- Wash dishes and utensils using gloves and hot water: Handle any non-disposable used food service items with gloves and wash with hot water or in a dishwasher.
- Clean hands after handling used food service items.

### TRASH

- Dedicated, lined trash can: If possible, dedicate a lined trash can for the ill person. Use gloves when removing garbage bags, and handling and disposing of trash. Wash hands afterwards.

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Listen to and follow the directions of your **STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES**.

**IF YOU FEEL SICK**, stay home. Do not go to work. Contact your medical provider.

**IF YOUR CHILDREN ARE SICK**, keep them at home. Do not send them to school. Contact your medical provider.

**IF SOMEONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAS TESTED POSITIVE** for the coronavirus, keep the entire household at home. Do not go to work. Do not go to school. Contact your medical provider.

**IF YOU ARE AN OLDER PERSON**, stay home and away from other people.

**IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A SERIOUS UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITION** that can put you at increased risk (for example, a condition that impairs your lung or heart function or weakens your immune system), stay home and away from other people.



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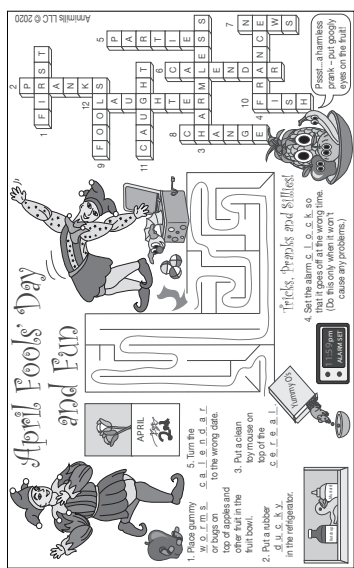
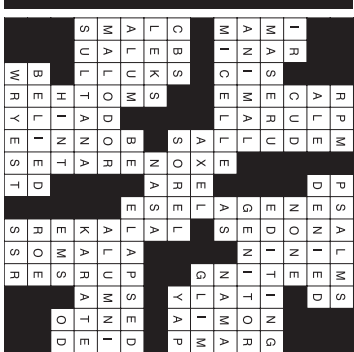
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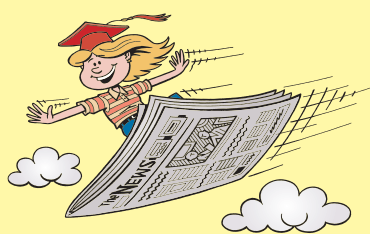
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## April Fools' Day and Fun!



April is a month of surprises. People play pranks while enjoying its first day - April Fools' Day! Clouds pop up and rain down on us. Breezes tug and break kite strings. Kites float quickly away or spiral down and crash! Fish pull on fishing lines and then swim away. Hey...are they laughing? Well, so shall we!  
**Ask someone with a good sense of humor to work with you to finish my puzzles!**

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ day of April is known as April Fools' Day.
2. It is a day of fun. People like to play jokes and \_\_\_\_\_.
3. Make sure that any pranks you might pull are \_\_\_\_\_.
4. This fun day used to be called "All Fool's Day" and is thought to have started in \_\_\_\_\_ a long time ago.
5. In those times, the date of the New Year was March 21st. People had \_\_\_\_\_ and fun for about a week, right through the last day of the celebration, April 1st. On that day people would visit and exchange gifts.
6. In the 16th century (1500s) a new \_\_\_\_\_ was adopted and March 21st was no longer the beginning of the New Year. This meant that April 1st was no longer the day to visit others and exchange gifts.
7. \_\_\_\_\_ traveled slowly and some people still celebrated on April 1st.
8. Some people didn't like \_\_\_\_\_ and they refused to follow the new calendar.
9. People who clung to the old ways were called "April \_\_\_\_\_" by others.
10. In some areas, on April 1st, you might hear people call "Poisson d'Avril"! They have fooled someone and are calling that person an "April \_\_\_\_\_."
11. This means that the person who was fooled "took the bait" and was easily \_\_\_\_\_, like a fish.
12. April Fools' Day is for fun and small tricks that hurt no one. It is a time to share \_\_\_\_\_.

I love to make people laugh!  
But, I never laugh **at** people.  
My playful trick on Forest is to put this sign on his bedroom door!

1. pr \_ n \_ s  
2. tric \_  
3. g \_ g  
4. jo \_ e  
5. \_ ntic

**Only 2 letters are needed to finish spelling these fun words. Can you figure out which 2?**

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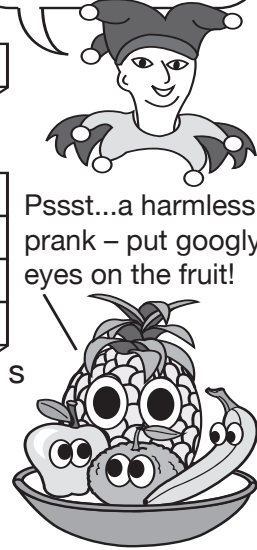
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**Jesters** were people who would entertain crowds at marketplaces or festivals. They wore pointed, three-colored caps, brightly colored clothing, floppy collars and bells. Today, we have costumed clowns who learn many skills to entertain us!



# Inspector general warns about scam

The Inspector General of Social Security, Gail S. Ennis, is warning the public about fraudulent letters threatening suspension of Social Security benefits due to COVID-19 or coronavirus-related office closures. The Social Security Administration (SSA) will not suspend or discontinue benefits because their offices are closed.

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