

Greenbelt Lake open for 'day use' only www.ClarendonLive.com

to a large crowd last weekend.

General Manager Bobbie Kidd said the lake was very busy Friday, Sat- been following the governor's orders urday, and Sunday with perhaps as and also say that even though the many as 1,500 people there on Sat- lake is private property, they are urday.

With the COVID-19 virus still Judge John Howard, MD, asked the ity said in a statement.

New restrictions are in place lake to observe Gov. Greg Abbott's this week for people visiting Green- Executive Order GA-18 and to belt Lake after the reservoir reopened follow the lead of state parks, which are operating only from dawn to Greenbelt Water Authority dusk and with no overnight camping.

> Lake officials say they have complying with the judge's request.

"We feel it is in the best interest active in the area, Donley County of Donley County," the water author-

As of now, there is only "day allowed, and social distancing must still be practiced.

mitted at Greenbelt. Customers can still shop, three at a time, in the Marina for bait, tackle, groceries, ice, and permits. Lake officials have been and will continue to sanitize touchable surfaces in the store frequently.

"If you are sick (with anything), first come, first served basis. use" of the lake until further notice. if you have been directly exposed No groups of more than five are and tested for COVID-19 and are awaiting test results or you are positive for COVID-19 and are quaran-No overnight camping is per- tined for either reason, don't come to No group cookouts or gatherings the lake," the water authority's state- or going to other trailers will be ment said. "Help us help everyone stay healthy."

> Kidd said the lake intends to lose their lease. limit attendance this weekend to 500 people at each of the north and south belt's order, visit our website, Clarentrances and admission will be on a endonLive.com

Greenbelt is also telling its licensed spaces holders that only people who live in their households are permitted in those spaces. allowed, and the water authority says licensees who violate that order may

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Mulkey Theatre will reopen this Friday

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Promenade next weekend.

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

Drive-In.

The Mulkey Theatre will reopen this weekend to feature "Trolls: World Tour" while following social distancing guidelines set out by the state.

Seating will be limited to 25 percent capacity, and the balcony will be closed. Patrons will be asked to pay for their movie tickets and concessions at the ticket window and may come inside as their concession order is ready.

Once inside, parties are asked to skip every other row and to keep at least two seats between each household or party.

Movie times will be 7:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday. Doors will open 30 minutes before show time, and tickets may be purchased online at MulkeyTheatre.com.

Texas PPP loans top \$41B. SBA reports

Texas has recorded another 175,418 approved Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans since the resumption of the program on Monday, April 27.

According to data released today by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA), the Texas total thus far in PPP Round Two has totaled \$12,789,880,775. When combined with Round One figures, 310,155 approved loans have been made in Texas totaling \$41,273,591,048 since April 3. "These numbers are mindblowing, but it has happened because Texas banks-especially our community banks-have worked overtime to help small business owners across the state to save jobs," said Texas Bankers Association President & CEO Chris Furlow. "Our Texas banks realize that for every small business loan they make, they are not just helping the owners, they are helping to save the livelihoods of that company's employees, so the human and community impact is heartening."



Retirement recognition

Clarendon Elementary Principal Mike Word was surprised Tuesday morning with a new smoker grill. The Pony Parents organization presented the gift to Word, who is retiring this month after 31 years in his present role and a total of 39 years in education.

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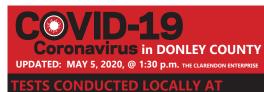
Negative COVID-19 tests now up to 74

John Howard, MD.

Clarendon Family Medical Center had

One new case of COVID-19 was in Amarillo announced last week that fedreported in Donley County last Friday. May eral resources are being brought in to help 1, but the number of negative test results has manage the virus outbreak in there, and the grown to 74 this week, according to Judge state health department is taking over the cases in Moore County.

Amarillo media reported 75 new cases conducted 95 tests on local residents as of on Monday bringing the total in Potter and



Clarendon, **Hedley plan** graduations at Sandell

Clarendon and Hedley High Schools will be holding graduation exercises at the Sandell Drive-In this year as the COVID-19 virus continues to impact lives and activities.

Clarendon High School graduation will be held Friday, May 22, at 8:45 p.m., and Hedley's ceremony will follow on Saturday at 8:30 p.m.

Sandell owner John Morrow said Hedley reached out first about using the drive-in to hold graduation and later Clarendon called. Social distancing requirements designed to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 are prohibiting large gatherings of people in places like gyms and auditoriums.

"They are making some really good plans," Morrow said of the two school. "It's gonna be different, but it's better than not having graduation."

Morrow said the schools will use a gooseneck trailer as a stage, which has been in place for the last few weeks for a community worship service. Both schools are also planning to project images and video on the Sandell big screen.

Approximately \$135 billion in Round Two PPP funds remain available.

Ads available now in graduation paper

The Clarendon Enterprise graduation edition will be published May 21 and ad space is available through next Wednesday for parents or others wishing to congratulate their seniors.

The publication is open to not just Clarendon and Hedley graduates but other students graduating from other colleges, universities, and high schools.

Tuesday afternoon. One of those remained Randall counties to 1,172. pending, but 74 were negative. Twenty local local residents have tested positive at facilities outside the county.

"We're conducting fewer tests because we're not seeing as many sick people," Howard said. "That's good news for us."

Of the positive cases, twenty-one have been listed as "recovered." Howard says it's possible that as many as three of the remaining four positive cases may be recovered also, but those are not under the care of the local clinic.

The new case reported on Friday appeared to be a result of "household ing the virus from a family member with the disease during quarantine.

have gone up dramatically. City officials state's 254 counties."

Howard still urges everyone to contests have come back positive, and five other tinue to follow social distancing guidelines and says older folks should continue to limit going out.

> Also this week, Gov. Greg Abbott announced Tuesday that hair salons and barbers would be allowed to reopen on Friday with gyms being able to open on Monday.

> "If Texans stop using the distancing strategies we have been utilizing in the past month, they will cause an increase in COVID transmission," Abbott said. "If that happens, it will lead to some counties having to impose stricter requirements."

The Texas Tribune reported that spread," Howard said, with the patient catch- Abbott's announcement "came as the number of coronavirus cases in Texas increased to at least 33,369, including 906 While COVID-19 in Donley County deaths, according to the latest numbers from seems to have flattened out, cases in the the Texas Department of State Health Ser-Amarillo metro area and in Moore County vices. The virus is present in 216 out of the

CLARENDON FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER	
TOTAL TESTS (at local clinic) 95	
PENDING 1	
NEGATIVE 74	
CONFIRMED (at local clinic) 20	
TESTS CONDUCTED OUT OF COUNTY	
CONFIRMED (at other facilities) 5	
OURCE: DONLEY COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE	
TOTAL CONFIRMED 25	
OUT OF THE CONFIRMED CASES RECOVERED 21	

Clarendon Family Medical Center is releasing information to the county judge's office on the total number of tests conducted by the local clinic, including negative cases. However, if a patient goes to another community to be tested (i.e. Amarillo), only those CONFIRMED cases are reported to the county judge's office by the state. Also, reporting on the state website lags several days behind test results. RECOVERED patients remain in the Confirmed total

Clarendon housing authority receives funds

Public housing authorities and ing to Cornyn's office. Section 8 voucher programs in the Amarillo area received several federal grants totaling \$677,328 to help with coronavirus-related improvements and maintenance to local public housing programs, U.S. Sen. John Cornyn announced this week.

The Clarendon Housing Authority received \$25,995, accord-

Department of Housing and Urban we can protect each other from its Development as part of the CARES Act, which was signed into law last month, under the Supplemental Public Housing Operating Funds program, which helps prevent, prepare, and respond to the Coronavirus Pandemic in public housing.

The funding comes through the hit Texans hard, and as much as effects, we must," said Sen. Cornyn. "I'm grateful to the Trump Administration for making public housing in the Amarillo area an important priority during the outbreak."

These grants may be used for resident support services; manage-

"The coronavirus outbreak has ment and operations, including staff; routine and preventative maintenance; safety and security; energy costs; insurance; debt service incurred to finance unit rehabilitation and development; planning for the long-term capital needs and viability of the properties; and other costs.

Clarendon Principal Larry Jeffers said gates will open at 7:45 p.m. for guests, and CHS is encouraging students and parents to decorate their vehicle appropriately. CHS senior parents are also asked to ride in the vehicle with their graduate to ensure they get a good space.

CHS student vehicles will drive forward for the student to exit and then drive to the other end of the stage to pick up the student. Parents can get out of the vehicle when it has reached the other end of the stage and take a picture of the student receiving their diplomas and then return to the vehicle. The student will come on stage, receive their diploma and/ or awards, exit the stage, get back into their vehicle and return to their parking space.

Graduation organizers remind everyone that the audio for the service will be broadcast over FM radio. If you are unable to listen to the radio and keep your headlights off, you should bring a portable radio.

Hedley Suprintendent Garrett Bains said participants and guests will remain in their cars at the drivein but otherwise they would try to have as "normal" a graduation service as possible.

A video will be played on the Sandell screen, and Bains said the school is working on a plan to allow the seniors to come forward, one at a time, to receive their diplomas, since there are only six seniors in the class.

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In times of crisis, Texans are always eager to lend a hand. I think about those who came together in the

wake of Hurricane Harvey to lead search and rescue operations, clear debris and rebuild their communities. Though the crisis we face today is an entirely different breed, that same Texas generosity is still easy to find.



times From organizations like by sen. john cornyn the Houston Food Bank stocking families' pantries, to alco-

hol producers like Gulf Coast Distillers donating hand sanitizer, to a personal protective equipment (PPE) drive at Minute Maid Park - these stories are a reliable source of comfort amid so much uncertainty.

As Texans work together to flatten the curve and support one another, I'm continuing the fight in Congress to get the resources our health care workers and local leaders need.

I recently held a video conference with members of the Texas Nurses Association and heard from Kimberly Curtin, a nurse practitioner at MD Anderson, about the need for additional PPE such as masks, gloves and gowns. She said nurses are given a clean mask at the start of each shift, and that mask is supposed to last an entire day. After hours of wear, masks can become damp and soiled and carry germs from one patient to another. This practice is unsafe for both our health care workers and their patients.

Congress has provided billions of dollars to increase our nationwide supply of PPE. Recent legislation included \$16 billion for the Strategic National Stockpile to procure PPE and other medical supplies. It also provided \$1 billion for the Defense Production Act to bolster domestic supply chains and speed up production for PPE, as well as ventilators and other urgently needed equipment.

Our health care workers should never be in a position where they're forced to decide between their own health and that of patients. Period.

A key component of our ability to slow the spread, and eventually defeat COVID-19, is through testing. The sooner we can identify positive cases, the sooner these individuals can self-isolate, and notify those with whom they've been in contact. Congress has passed legislation to expand testing capacity and make testing free of charge for all Texans. Last week, we took another major step forward and provided an additional \$25 billion to support and expand state-led testing. We also bolstered funding to support our hospitals. Urban and rural hospitals alike are being crushed by the weight of this virus, and they need financial assistance to survive. Congress has provided \$175 billion to help our hospitals and health care providers keep their doors open. One of the cascading effects of this virus is the broader impact on our health care system. The surge in coronavirus led to a statewide postponement of elective surgeries. In the beginning, this made sense: we needed to free-up medical resources to fight COVID-19. We must remember, though, that "elective" doesn't mean "unimportant." Procedures covered by these cancellations include everything from cancer biopsies to organ transplants, and patients living with chronic pain who once had a surgery date — a sign of hope — had to continue living with the pain. A recent executive order issued by Gov. Greg Abbott has loosened these restrictions and given hospitals the ability to perform procedures that aren't expected to reduce coronavirus response capacity. This is welcome news for Texans whose procedures have been postponed and marks a small but significant step toward restoring normal operations. As we look for that light at the end of the tunnel, it's important to remember that much is still unknown about COVID-19. While we are learning more and making progress every day, the right balance needs to be struck to ensure public safety. While Texans continue to support their communities, I want to thank those who are in the trenches battling this virus. Texas' doctors, nurses, first responders and health care workers make physical and emotional sacrifices every day to support their patients. These brave men and women offer more than lifesaving care - they're a hand to hold, a friendly face and a source of comfort for patients who are isolated from family and friends.

The trio looks back on old times

Affairs; the

phone lines

The

B. Rushing,

100th year of

life this month

begins his

A few days ago, my wife and I enjoyed a short road trip. Typically an hour's drive to Stephenville, this day it was twice that. It took 40 minutes to make it through Granbury, where folks - weary of "sheltering" - seemed happy to be in their cars again, perhaps looking for "essential places."

Stephenville friendships were renewed. One visit was "through a glass darkly." We peered through a therapy center window to see a smiling Dwain Bruner, who reported for work daily at the dealership until experiencing a stroke at the end of February. The automobile executive – selling

Chevrolets for 58 years and adding other brands along the way – soon will be 90. However, his smile is ever young – the kind car dealers flash when both parties are happy upon completion of transactions.... ****

Dwain is getting daily therapy. Daughter Gwyn and son Greg are happy that his room is farthest from the therapy center, so he "gets additional exercise, coming and going."

We conversed by phone with Dwain, whose carotid artery procedure was "wedged in" at a packed Fort Worth hospital in March. Upon his admission, Gwyn and Greg "signed off" on being with him until the COVID-19 nightmare ends.

Thankfully, they can have "window visits," as we had. Phones are blessings!....

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Two other longtime friends have had unique phone experiences. One is AT&T's Regional Director of External



american latter, Dr. Joe by don newbury

at his Lampasas, TX, home. He has "hitches in his git-along," but remains "tack sharp," this nationally-recognized higher education leader. He founded two junior college districts – Broward County, FL, then Tarrant County College in Fort Worth.

When his father died in 1928, Joe was age seven. That's when he and his mom, pregnant with his late sister Cordie, moved in with his grandparents. "We had a 'crank' wall phone activated by two long and two short 'rings.' After a rainstorm, I'd go with my granddad in his Model A to check on the lines, sometimes re-attaching the wires to fence posts on the roadside between our house and Blanket. We didn't want to miss important calls, usually from kin in Friona and Eldorado," Joe remembers.... ****

The "phone pro" in the trio has been a part of AT&T for 53 years. Linda Caram - self-described as "Ma Bell" - is the "face" of area operations. Of AT&T's thousands of employees worldwide, she ranks number eight in tenure, longer than any other employee in Texas. Except for one in Louisiana, the six

others with longer tenure are scattered on the left and right coasts. Her region includes all or parts of Denton, Parker, Wise, Johnson and Tarrant Counties.

A public relations genius, she personifies her company as well as any person I've ever known.

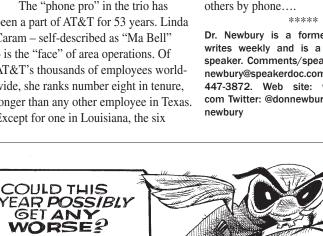
She's forever "on task."... *****

"Taking one for the team" is the norm for Linda. Speaking at a retirement event for a friend, she decided to "dress the part," knowing the honoree was big on conservation and recycling. She gathered dead leaves fallen from her trees, gluing them on a big trash bag. She cut head-and-arm holes in the bag, and felt "ready to go!" Or so she thought.

Oh, no! Turns out, Linda was allergic to the leaves. Before ending her remarks, her eyes were watering and she was sneezing. Yep, she's a team player whose age and social security number are not revealed. (Word has it both are two digits.)

It was 33 years ago that AT&T urged us to "reach out and touch someone." Such helps when dealing with quarantine. As my old mom would have said, we "kept the phone lines warm." Much of our "time out" was refreshing, used to "reach out," including a visit to see a friend's bright smile - even if through a glass darkly – and reaching

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Senator John Cornyn, a Republican from Texas, is a member of the Senate Finance, Intelligence, and Judiciary Committees



Outrageous Texas women characters

By this time of year, I've usually done several speeches at various events around the country. All of my scheduled winter appearances took place, but because of the Corona Virus, most of the ones scheduled for this spring have been canceled or postponed. With this extra time at home I've had the opportunity to create a new one-man show. It's all about women characters I've interviewed during the past 50 years. Although the show will have a couple of trial performances between now and the end of the year to get some possible kinks worked out, the official debut will be February

9th of next year when I speak to the Second Tuesday Club in Midland. The title of the new show is Outra-

geous Texas Women of Character. So far I've gone through about 10,000 programs to pick out some of the most hilarious women who tell about their personal experiences. I still have 3,000 more programs to check. No telling what I might find.

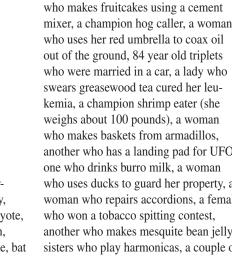


rill, Carroll and by tumbleweed smith Laurie).

Some of the women I've interviewed have unusual pets: monkey, bobcat, raccoon, mountain lion, coyote, chimp, rabbit, donkey, pig, chicken, wolf, kangaroo, peacock, porcupine, bat and turtle.

Some have unusual occupations: raising fighting roosters, blacksmithing, working on a pipeline, truck driver, alligator hunting guide, stunt pilot, goat farmer, bagpipe player, cowgirl, water witch, totem pole carver, faith healer, worm raiser and horsebreaker.

I interviewed Mrs. Pancho Villa I've met women with names usually (I've been doing this a long time), a lady



who uses her red umbrella to coax oil out of the ground, 84 year old triplets who were married in a car, a lady who swears greasewood tea cured her leukemia, a champion shrimp eater (she weighs about 100 pounds), a woman who makes baskets from armadillos, another who has a landing pad for UFOs, one who drinks burro milk, a woman who uses ducks to guard her property, a woman who repairs accordions, a female who won a tobacco spitting contest, another who makes mesquite bean jelly, sisters who play harmonicas, a couple of female champion chili cooks at Terlingua, a woman who shears sheep, a llama kisser, a female steamboat pilot and many other fascinating Texas women.

I've interviewed some Sisters on the Fly, a group of women who have small travel trailers and caravan around the country. They say it's like girl scouts but with martinis. Their motto is "We make make girls out of women."

<u>LETTERS</u>

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Charlie, Travis, Cecil and Tony. (I've also interviewed men named Beverly, Vivian, Sher-



Services at the Sandell

Community worship services continued at the Sandell Drive-In last Sunday, and plans are being made to hold a Mother's Day service there this weekend. Shown here Howardwick Baptist Pastor Jim Fox stands near the stage as Mac Miller, Gary Cockerham, and George Hall provide music. The Mother's Day service will begin at 10 a.m. Sunday, with Fox bringing a message of hope. All moms will get a flower at the service, Fox says. Courtesy Photo Eric Riddle COURTESY PHOTO

Obituaries Noble

Isaac "Ike" Donald Noble, age 82, of Rowlett, Texas, passed away on April 30, 2020. A private family service will be held on

Monday, May 11. Burial will follow in Rest Haven

Noble

Memorial Park.

Ike was born December 17, 1937, in Clarendon, to Lacy Monroe Noble and Mary Lee Buchanan Noble. Ike was a commercial truck driver. In his free time, he enjoyed watching his favorite shows, fishing, and hunting, or shopping flea markets. He will be deeply missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his sons, Mark Noble of Haslet, Don Noble of DeSoto, and Kevin Noble of Arlington; his grandchildren, Jonathan Noble, Ky Noble, Destiny Noble, Kayla, Noble, and Mark Noble; and one sister: Janie Sue Noble.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Helen Noble; a brother, Lacy Lee Noble; and a granddaughter, Roxanne Noble.





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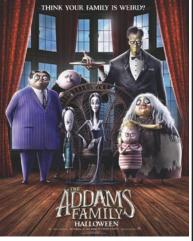


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May 11 - 15

Donley County Senior Citizens Mon: Beef goulash, navy beans, broccoli, wheat bread, oatmeal raisin cookie, iced tea/2% milk. Tue: King ranch casserole, Spanish rice, pinto beans, tortilla, brownie, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: BBQ chicken, mashed potatoes, carrot raisin salad, cornbread, baked apple, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Roasted turkey, savory bread dressing, candied sweet potatoes, wheat roll, pineapple tidbits, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Baked ham/pineapple, lima beans, chuckwagon corn, wheat roll, chocolate cookie, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Spaghetti/meat sauce, tossed salad, Italian mix vegetables, garlic toast, chocolate chip cookie, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Chicken & broccoli casserole, mixed vegetables, whole wheat roll, sliced peaches, iced tea/2% milk. Wed: Riblets, baked potato, buttered carrots, whole wheat roll, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, garden salad, cornbread, baked apples, iced tea/2% milk. Fri: Soft taco, pinto beans, lettuce, tomatoes, onions, brownie, iced tea/2% milk.

Online Texas A&M AgriLife Organic Workshop available

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service is now offering the Texas A&M AgriLife Organic Workshop online.

Although the videos are tailored toward the High Plains and Rolling Plains producers, there are videos that provide great insights agronomist, Vernon.

The series of nine videos range ments. anywhere from about 10 to 90 minwithout a fee.



Donley County Social Hour

The fourth Donley County Social hour, hosted by County Attorney Landon Lambert (above right) and editor Roger Estlack (above left) was held last Thursday and interviewed Judge John Howard M.D. The video can still be viewed at Facebook.com/TheEnterprise, and this week's Social Hour will be broadcast at that same address this Thursday, May 7, at 5:30 p.m. ENTERPRISE PHOTO

Happy Mother's Day to the best

This Monday, I went to the school and picked up all of my things from my locker. With that, I found out that I was getting medals for UIL.



Since this Sunday is the cub and I wanted to **reporter** Mother's Day write about my by benjamin estlack

mom and everything she does for my family, the community, and me. My mom is a funny, smart, and talented person. I enjoy getting to spend time with her painting or raising money for my Scout trip in 2021. She is always so supportive of me and the rest of my family.

She has a job working at Pantex, but right now she gets to work from our family, cooking and cleaning. home because of the pandemic. She is a member of the Lions Club and helps to put on the Pancake Supper and the 5K. She also takes care of sister with our online school, and Happy Mother's Day for all you do!



Ben Estlack displays his the medals and ribbon he received for his UIL participation this year. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

My mom's favorite hobby is to paintings. sit out on her lanai.

she helps my sister and me with our

I could go on and on, but in all, My mom also helps me and my I love my mom, and I want to say

CHS announces Promenade plans

Clarendon High School has to wear either a suit or their Sunday for producers across Texas, said Emi come up with an alternative to the best. Kimura, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension traditional junior-senior prom this

year due to social distancing require- on 5th Street and make their way to is asked to park along Fifth Street

Parents are asked to park (angled) in front of the Courthouse Students will Promenade east by 5:45 at the latest. The community

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Topics and speakers for the online organic workshop will be:

Texas Department of Agriculture Organic Certification Program, Brandi Chandler, Texas Department of Agriculture interim coordinator for organic certification, Levelland;

Organic Transition in North Texas Wheat Systems: Research Project, Curtis Adams, Ph.D., Texas A&M AgriLife Research crop physiologist, Vernon;

Integrated Amarillo;

Tuggle, Ph.D., Crop Docs Consult- meetings via Microsoft Teams. ing, Stephenville;

Amarillo;

Entomopathogenic Nematode 2020 - Grass. Studies for Control of Corn Rootand Bynum;

Cook, FSA district director, Ama- providing maps." rillo;

Porter; and

economist, Vernon.

emi.kimura@ag.tamu.edu.

A Promenade will be held May omore, or freshman that was invited to the CHS prom that was scheduled

for March 28th. enade starting at 6:00.

the Donley County Courthouse.

Students will need a driver utes and can be viewed at any time 15 for any CHS senior, junior, soph- to move their vehicle once they are announced and get out of their vehicle at the courthouse. The driver will be responsible to move their Line-up will start at 5:30 p.m. at vehicle and pick them back up at the the CHS parking lot with the Prom- designated pickup area. Once they are picked up, they may continue to Girls are asked to wear their watch but must find their own parkprom dresses, and boys are asked ing spot and remain in their vehicle.

from CHS to the Methodist Church. All spectators must remain off

the Courthouse property, grass, sidewalk, etc; and parents are asked to remain either inside their vehicle or stand by their vehicle.

No group pictures or group gathering will be allowed, and all spectators must remain six feet apart and actively participate in social distancing.

USDA reminds producers to complete crop acreage reports

The Donley County office for USDA's Farm Service Agency is using Microsoft Teams software crop acreage they intended to plant, Goat Grazing (FSA) is currently open to phone and to virtually meet with producers but due to natural disaster, were System, Justin Benavidez, Ph.D., virtual appointments only but can to review maps and documents for unable to plant. Prevented plant-AgriLife Extension economist, still work with producers on timely certification. Producers who want to ing acreage must be reported on filing crop acreage reports. FSA schedule a virtual appointment can form CCC-576, Notice of Loss, no Organic Wheat Production: staff can provide assistance over the download the Microsoft Teams app later than 15 calendar days after the Grower Considerations, Justin phone, by email and through virtual on their smart phones and call the final planting date as established by

Predatory Mites for Control of ing dates are applicable for Donley your personal computer without Spider Mites in Texas High Plains County: January 15, 2020 — Wheat; downloading software. Corn, Ed Bynum, Ph.D., retired July 15, 2020 - Cotton, Peanuts, AgriLife Extension entomologist, Sorghum, Corn, all other spring acreage reporting information is age reporting date for NAP-covered seeded crops; and December 15, received, FSA will make software crops is the earlier of the dates listed

worm, Pat Porter, Ph.D., AgriLife program eligibility requirements, Acreage form (FSA-578) to sign. Extension entomologist, Lubbock, all producers must file an accurate Producers must return the signed crop acreage report by the appli- form certifying their acreage report FSA's Donley County office at 806-Crop Insurance and Farm Ser- cable deadline," said Vance Killian, to the FSA office through mail and/ 874-3561 x 2. vice Agency Programs for Organic FSA's County Executive Director in or email by July 15, 2020. Production, DeDe Jones, AgriLife Donley County. "Our FSA staff is Extension risk management program still able to assist producers in com- to acreage reporting dates: specialist, Amarillo, and Amanda pleting acreage reports, including

Status of Corn Earworm Resis- office can provide maps to produc- than 15 calendar days after planting tance to Bt Corn on the High Plains, ers through mail and/or email with is completed. instructions for completing the maps. Organic Production Marketing, Please call the Donley County FSA tional acreage after the acreage Pancho Abello, AgriLife Extension office at 806-874-3561 x 2 to request reporting date, then the acreage must duct business with the FSA, Natural a copy of the maps and instructions. be reported no later than 30 calen- Resources Conservation Service, or For more information, contact After planting is complete, produc- dars days after purchase or acquiring any other Service Center agency are AgriLife Extension agronomist Jour- ers should return completed maps the lease. dan Bell, Ph.D., Amarillo, at Jour- and the acreage reporting sheet by dan.bell@ag.tamu.edu, or Kimura, mail or email no later than June 10, must be provided to the county More information can be found at 2020.

The Donley County FSA office FSA office for an appointment. You FSA and USDA's Risk Management The following acreage report- can also use Microsoft Teams from Agency.

updates and mail and/or email pro- above or 15 calendar days before "In order to comply with FSA ducers the completed Report of grazing or harvesting of the crop

If the crop has not been planted by the acreage reporting date, then The Donley County FSA the acreage must be reported no later

If a producer acquires addi-

Appropriate office.

Producers should also report

Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) policy After completed maps and all holders should note that the acrebegins.

For questions, please contact

USDA Service Centers are open The following exceptions apply for business by phone appointment only and field work will continue with appropriate social distancing. While our program delivery staff will continue to come into the office, they will be working with our producers by phone, and using online tools whenever possible. All Service Center visitors wishing to conrequired to call their Service Center documentation to schedule a phone appointment. farmers.gov/coronavirus.

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Community newspapers ask Congress to support the USPS

116th Congress: Save the Postal Service.

Amid the flurries of legislation medicines.' to protect the U.S. economy from the coronavirus damage, Congress has been asked to recognize the needs of the Postal Service. USPS has been in headlines in recent weeks as disagreements over its package services have arisen, but National Newspaper Association says most members of Congress agree that a viable universal postal delivery is essential to the pers in all 50 states, urged Congress economy.

"It is an election year, so editors letter said: expect to see vigorous debate about virtually everything, but it is unfortu- reliant industry that generates \$1.6 is just common sense. It is time for nate that the value of USPS has been trillion in sales and employs 7.3 milcaught up in political debate. Mail delivery is essential to the commerce self-sufficient Postal Service. But no of this country and even more so in business entity can withstand a 50 short of cash by the end of the year. rural areas," NNA President Matt Adelman, publisher of the Douglas drop in business and revenues, as depend upon it may see a slowing (Wyoming) Budget, said. "After all USPS projects due to COVID-19, or interruption of mail service as the our nation's businesses have been and long survive. That is why emer-system struggles to stay afloat.

Nearly 1,000 community news- through this year, the last thing we gency funding must be provided papers, including the Enterprise, need is an interruption of the mail. now." added their voices to a letter to the That affects invoices, checks in the mail, newspaper delivery and small some in Congress to call the funding parcels with essential items like a "bailout."

> tion for a 21st Century Postal Ser- country and certainly in Congress. vice, known as C21, a business Saying that providing an appropriaorganization that supports the mailing industry. C21 has been active for more than a decade in urging Congress to shore up the public policy guiding universal service. C21's letter to Congress, joined by newspato provide funding for USPS. The with the expenses, the responsibility

"We, along with the postallion workers, have long supported a

Adelman said he expected

"There are a lot of misunder-NNA is a member of the Coali- standings about USPS across the tion for USPS, which is a federal agency, is a 'bailout' is like saying making an appropriation to keep parks open is a 'bailout.' Both operate on user fees to a greater or lesser degree, but when the user fees postage in this case – can't keep up for keeping the systems running falls to Congress. That is not a bailout. It members of Congress to get on with its work in this area," he said.

USPS has said it expects to run percent or more externally-imposed Communities and businesses that

TWC sets new guidance for unemployment

(TWC) has issued new guidance to unemployment claimants concerning their eligibility for unemployment benefits should they choose not COVID-19.

Under this guidance, Texans can benefits throughout the COVID-19 response if they choose not to return suitable work. to work for certain reasons as specified by TWC.

the process of safely and strategi- ting very sick from COVID-19. cally opening the economy, our top priority is protecting the health and risk: People 65 years or older are at a those who are most vulnerable to COVID-19.

AUSTIN - Governor Greg COVID-19," said Governor Abbott. Abbott today announced that the "This flexibility in the unemploy-Texas Workforce Commission ment benefit process will help ensure that Texans with certain health and safety concerns will not be penalized for choosing not to return to work."

to return to work at this time due to claim is currently evaluated on an individual basis. However, because of the COVID-19 emergency, the continue to receive unemployment following are reasons benefits would be granted if the individual refused

Reason for refusal:

At High Risk: People 65 years "As the Lone Star State begins or older are at a higher risk for get-

Household member at high safety of all Texans—especially higher risk of getting very sick from

Diagnosed with COVID: The individual has tested positive for COVID-19 by a source authorized by the State of Texas and is not recovered.

Family member with COVID: Each unemployment insurance Anybody in the household has tested positive for COVID-19 by a source authorized by the State of Texas and is not recovered and 14 days have not vet passed.

> Quarantined: Individual is currently in 14-day quarantine due to close contact exposure to COVID-19.

> Child care: Child's school or daycare closed and no alternatives are available.

> Any other situation will be subject to a case by case review by TWC based on individual circumstances.

Ag Secretary says producers may apply for SBA loans

WASHINGTON, DC - U.S. community." Department of Agriculture Secretary Sonny Perdue today applauded closed since April 15. However, and Advance application portal to the announcement that agricultural the Agency is able to reopen the agricultural enterprises only. For producers, for the first time, are portal today, in a limited capacity, agricultural producers that submitted now eligible for the Small Business as a result of funding authorized an EIDL loan application through Administration (SBA)'s Economic by Congress through the Paycheck the streamlined application portal Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) and Protection Program and Healthcare prior to the legislative change, SBA

and EIDL Advance assistance eligi-SBA's EIDL portal has been bility, SBA is re-opening the Loan will move forward and process these The legislation, which was applications without the need for re-



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AgriLife Extension offers tips for alleviating concerns, stresses as businesses open

demic shutdown can cause differing happening. amounts of emotions - disbelief, fear much like after a disaster.

alike can watch for signs of emotional impact over the coming weeks is finding their way back to a new Extension Service specialist.

When states, cities and workplaces begin reopening, COVID-19 won't be gone, nor will the concerns that surround it, said Miquela Smith, Amarillo.

Some workers will gladly head back to their offices and places of business, while others will do so with trepidation, Smith said.

Returning to work

ment and professional occupations will be able to continue working from home, while those with service, jobs will have to physically return to routines. work, she said. Employees who can continue to work from home will inherently be at a lower risk of expowho cannot.

This will disproportionately affect Americans with lower education levels because they are less AgriLife Extension, Mental Health likely to occupy professional and First Aid, teaches these exact skills. management positions that might That program is in the process of allow them to work from home, being modified so it may be offered Smith said.

"Minimizing employees' potena top priority," she said. "The CDC offers resources on their website for businesses and employers to help them prepare to safely reopen. Reopening businesses will come difficulties," she said. with challenges and people will respond differently to being back at tant to reconsider travel needs, as work."

loved ones or know someone who ness trips for some time. Consider got sick, so it will hit close to home, postponing or canceling upcoming real, diagnosable and treatable. Smith said.

Others may have anxiety require travel. about returning to work safely; or about finding safe daycare for their to work children, who are not returning to

Returning to work after six at home and will welcome the oppor- return to the workplace include: weeks under the COVID-19 pan- tunity to go about life as if nothing is

and even anger – among workers, altered and directly impacted by this 60% alcohol if soap and water are crisis," she said. "Crisis situations not available But employers and co-workers affect people differently and just because a person is not responding and mouth with unwashed hands. to the pandemic in the way you think and months, to ensure everyone they should, does not mean they are unaffected. Returning to work after a normal, said a Texas A&M AgriLife pandemic is new territory for all of us, and we must have patience with ourselves and others while we navi- local authorities for using face covgate the process."

Emotional stress and well-being AgriLife Extension health specialist, should watch for signs of emotional impact over the coming weeks and months. Signs someone may be struggling in their return to the except to get medical care. workplace include changes in performance and productivity, such as have a sick family member at home missing deadlines, calling in sick with COVID-19. Many Americans with manage- frequently, absenteeism, irritability and anger, difficulty concentrating and making decisions, withdrawal from work activity, and difficulty production and maintenance-related with work transitions or changes in

will need to educate supervisors and managers to be aware of the signs of sure to the virus compared to those emotional distress, and to encourage staff to seek treatment when necessary.

> One program that is offered by on a fully virtual platform soon.

"While each business will dictial exposure to COVID-19 must be tate how they come back online and what will be expected of their employees, it is important to remind them that support among colleagues can help employees work through

employees, clients and other individ-Some people may have lost uals may be hesitant to make busiconferences and other meetings that

school. Others will be tired of being individuals to help facilitate a safe Administration website.

Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 sec-"Each of our lives have been onds. Use hand sanitizer with at least

Avoid touching your eyes, nose

Follow the policies and procedures of your employer related to illness, cleaning and disinfecting, work meetings and travel. Continue to follow guidelines from state and erings in public spaces.

Clean and disinfect frequently Employers and co-workers touched objects and surfaces in your work area, including keyboards, phones, handrails and doorknobs.

Stay home if you are sick,

Inform your supervisor if you

Avoid using other employees' phones, desks, offices, or other work tools and equipment, when possible. If necessary, clean and disinfect them before and after use.

Know what to expect of your-Smith suggested employers self. You may experience a variety of emotions after returning to work, which is normal. Talking about your feelings with someone you trust is a healthy way to process this evolving situation.

> Continue to take care of yourself. Eat well, get plenty of rest and exercise, spend time with those closest to you.

> Take care of your children and your family. Parents could be concerned about their children's well-being when they must return to work. Make sure your children know proper hygiene practices and let them talk about what is going on to help reassure them.

Seek help if you need to. If your Initially, it may also be impor- feelings are too much to bear, seeking help is a sign of strength, not weakness. Mental health problems in general and in response to a major event such as the pandemic - are

Know your rights and the COVID-19-related guidance that has Do's and don'ts upon returning been given for your specific industry by visiting the CDC website and Key messages Smith offered for the Occupational Safety and Health



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Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

State Sales Tax Revenue Totaled \$2.6 Billion

AUSTIN - Texas Comptrol- and boutique retail shops. However, enue from other major taxes: since January 2010.

in April. Widespread social distancing requirements were not in place measures affected only a portion of sales tax remittances in April. Next month's remittances likely will show steeper declines compared to a year ago, as the effects of both the shuttering of businesses related to COVIDmanifest throughout April.

remittances were from businesses tax revenue for many months. most quickly and dramatically affected by social distancing: restau- nomic slowdown and falling oil

ler Glenn Hegar last week said state those losses were, to a degree, offset sales tax revenue totaled \$2.58 bil- by increases from big-box retailers, taxes — \$164 million, down 45 lion in April, 9.3 percent less than grocery stores and online vendors. percent from April 2019, the largest in April 2019, the steepest decline Remittances from oil- and gasrelated sectors also fell significantly The majority of April sales tax as oil and gas exploration and prorevenue is based on sales made in duction companies slashed capital March and remitted to the agency spending in response to the crash in oil price."

across much of the state until late of state funding for the state budget, April 2019; March, meaning the impact of those accounting for 57 percent of all tax collections. It can also be a lagging indicator of economic slowdowns. The recession associated with the financial crisis more than a decade ago began in December 2007 and lasted 18 months, but Texas did not 19 and plummeting oil prices were see significant sales tax declines until early 2009. While the effect \$57 million, down 55 percent from "State sales tax collections on sales taxes from the current ecodeclined as a result of efforts to stem nomic contraction has been more the spread of COVID-19 through immediate, the impact of rising business closures, crowd limits and unemployment and contracting ecostay-at-home orders adopted in the nomic activity in many parts of the state, as well as a precipitous drop state's economy, including oil and in worldwide demand for oil," Hegar natural gas exploration and producsaid. "The steepest declines in tax tion, likely will act as a drag on sales

The effects of the March ecocenters, as well as department stores Texas collected the following rev- enue publication.

Motor vehicle sales and rental monthly drop on record in data going back to 1983;

Motor fuel taxes — \$284 million, down 12 percent from April 2019, the steepest drop since 1991;

Natural gas production tax -Sales tax is the largest source \$67 million, down 48 percent from

> Oil production tax — \$191 million, down 45 percent from April 2019;

> Hotel occupancy tax — \$24 million, down 63 percent from April 2019, the deepest drop in data going back to 1990; and

> Alcoholic beverage taxes -April 2019. Declines were driven by mixed beverage gross receipts and sales taxes, both of which were down more than 58 percent. Excise taxes on beer were up 16 percent from April 2019, while wine excise taxes

were up 9 percent from April 2019. For details on all monthly collections, visit the Comptroller's Monthly State Revenue Watch. For an extensive history of tax policy rants, performing arts venues, movie prices were more evident in other developments and fees since 1972, theaters, theme parks and fitness sources of revenue in April 2020. visit our updated Sources of Rev-



Property owners have the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- the appraised (market) value of your property
- the unequal value of your property compared with other properties
- the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- any exemptions that may apply to you
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- the taxing units taxing your property
- the property ownership
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal failure of the chief appraiser or appraisal review board (ARB) to send a required notice
- any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district (CAD) or ARB that applies to and adversely affects you

Informal Review

For information about informal review and obtaining property tax records, call your appraisal district at the number listed on the Notice of Appraised Value

Review by the ARB

If you cannot resolve your problem informally with the CAD, you may file a notice of protest requesting to have your case heard by the ARB.

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that hears and determines protests regarding property appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes based on evidence heard during the ARBhearing

If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing and send you written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening or on a Saturday or Sunday. You may use Comptroller Form 50-132, Property Appraisal - Notice of Protest, to file your written request for an ARB hearing.

Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD plans to introduce at the hearing to establish any matter at issue. Before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your agent and the CAD are required to provide each other with a copy of any materials (evidence) intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. Evidence may be submitted for any hearing type either in paper or on a small portable electronic device (such as a CD, USB flash drive or thumb drive) which will be kept by the ARB. Do NOT bring evidence on a smart phone. The ARB's hearing procedures regarding all the requirements to properly submit evidence on a small portable electronic device must be reviewed

To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person or you may by telephone conference call or submission of written affidavit to present your evidence, facts and argument

Deadline for Filing Protest with the ARB*

Usual Deadline

Not later than May 15 (or within 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later).

Late protests are allowed for good cause if you miss the usual deadline. The ARB decides whether you have a good cause. Late protests are not allowed after the ARB approves the appraisal records for the year.

Special Deadlines

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is not later than the 30th day after the notice of the determination was delivered to you.

If you decide to participate by telephone conference call, you must provide your evidence to the ARB with a written affidavit before the ARB hearing begins. You may use the Comptroller Form 50-283, Property Owner's Affidavit of Evidence to the Appraisal Review Board, to submit evidence for your telephone conference call hearing or for the hearing by affidavit.

You and the CAD representative have the opportunity to present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented by both parties. In most cases, the CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented.

In certain protests, the chief appraiser has the burden of proving the property's value by clear and convincing evidence. You should review ARB hearing procedures to learn more about evidence and related matter

You should not try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. ARB members are required sign-an affidavits aying that they have not talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court, an Arbitrator or SOAH

After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you are not satisfied with the ARB's decision, you have the right to appeal to district court. As an alternative to district court, you may appeal through binding arbitration or the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH) if you meet the qualifying criteria.

If you choose to go to district court, you must start the process by filing a petition with the district court within 60 days of the date you receive the ARB's order. If you chose to appeal through binding arbitration, you must file a request for binding arbitration with the CAD not later than the 45thday after you receive notice of the ARB order. If you choose to appeal to the SOAH. you must file an appeal with the CAD not later than the 30th day after you receive notice of the ARB's order. Appeals to district court, binding arbitration or SOAH all require payment of certain fees or deposits.

Tax Payment

You must pay either the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute, the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken or the amount of taxes due in the previous year.

More Information

You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at the address and telephone number shown on the Notice of Appraised Value. You can get Comptroller forms and additional information on how to prepare a protest from the Comptroller's website at comptroller.texas.gov/taxes/property-tax/

For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change did not result from a protest you filed), the deadline is not later than the 30^{h} day after the notice of the change was delivered to you

If you believe the CAD or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February I) or no later than the 125 day after the date you claim you received a tax bill from one or more of the taxing units that tax your property. The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

• The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or legal, state or national holiday.

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MEETINGS



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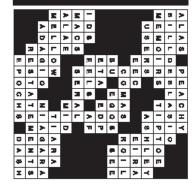
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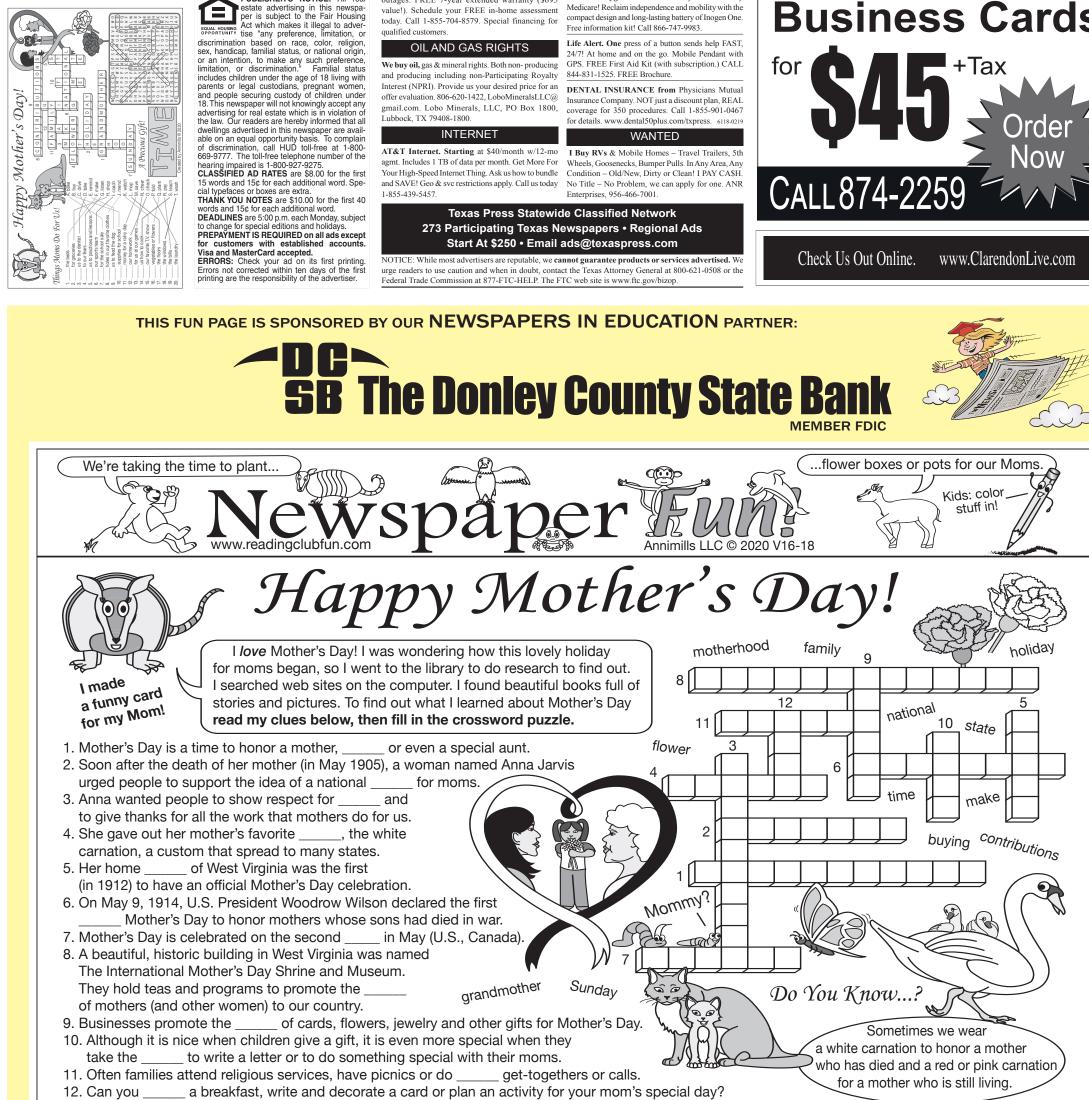
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PROPOSAL NUMBER 10078

CLARENDON COLLEGE is soliciting proposals for basic athletic injury and catastrophic athletic injury insurance for intercollegiate sports for Clarendon College for the 2020-2021 aca demic year.

Proposals are to be received in the Business Office, P.O. Box 968, 1122 College Drive, Clarendon College, Clarendon, Texas 79226, faxed to (806) 874-1498 or emailed to mark. james@clarendoncollege.edu . Proposals must be received by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, May 29, 2020 (the "due date"). Brand Names and Model Numbers are to establish quality. Approved substitute brands will be considered. Please furnish complete

specifications for brands other than stipulated on this proposal. Clarendon College reserves the right to determine whether or not an item meets approval for a substitute. Evaluation criteria will consist of the following: a) Prior Performance and Reputation (especially among fellow educational institutions) b) Warranties and Exchange Policies c) The total long term cost to the College District to acquire the goods and services d) Compliance with specifications e) Billing and Shipping Accuracy f) Delivery and Installation Schedules (Complete units must be shipped.) g) Proposed purchase price and quality of ven-

dor's proposed goods and services h) The extent to which the goods and services meet the needs of the College

i) Vendor Profile j) Experience and qualifications of the service provider

k) The vendor's past relationship with the College District

Clarendon College reserves the right to negotiate with any/all proposers at any time, before or after submission of a proposal. Clarendon College reserves the right to reject any or all bids/proposals and to waive technicalities. For questions regarding this request, contact Mark James, Director of Athletics, Clarendon College (806) 874-4833 or mark.james@clarendoncollege.edu

Proposals should address all of the questions/ issues that have been shown in this request. Failure to adhere to these procedures or to obtain approval for deviations may result in an incomplete evaluation of your proposal. Estimated date of award: June 23, 2020

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