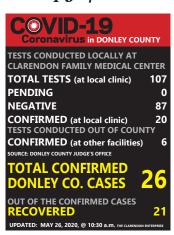
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### No new reports of COVID-19 cases

Clarendon Family Medical Center has reported no new cases of the COVID-19 viruses as of Tuesday morning this week.

CFMC says they have performed a total of 107 tests on local residents. All of those test results have been reported now with 87 negative for the virus and 20 positive cases, all of which have recovered.

Additionally, six cases have previously tested positive at facilities outside the county. The overall count of total positives in Donley County stands at 26.

### **TxDOT 287 project** started on Tuesday

CHILDRESS - The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) began a \$4.5 million hot mix overlay project on northbound US 287 between Hedley and Clarendon on Tuesday, May

The overlay will improve the surface of the roadway and is expected to be complete within two months.

Daily lane closures will be set up in the work zone. Drivers should reduce their speed when approaching and entering the work zone, obey all posted signs and reduce distractions in their vehicle.

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

### **Garage sale event** deadline this Friday

The sign-up period for Clarendon's 15th annual "Trash To Treasures" garage sale event closes this Friday, May 29, at 5 p.m. and participants are encouraged to get their information in before the deadline.

The big event is slated for Saturday, June 6, and garage sales in Hedley, Howardwick, and the surrounding area are also welcome to sign up.

Residents who wish to participate in this year's "Trash To Treasures" are asked to come by the Enterprise before 5 p.m. on Friday, May 29, to sign up for the promotion.

For just \$25, each household will get a 50-word advertisement in the Big-E Classifieds and the exclusive "Trash To Treasures" garage sale signs. In addition, the Enterprise will print a city map the week of the event indicating the location of each sale and will promote the citywide garage sale in area newspapers and with local radio ads.

For information, call 874-2259 or come by the Enterprise.



Clarendon High School graduate Mattee Johnson presents Principal Larry Jeffers with a sign of the times - a roll of toilet paper during commencement Friday night. COURTESY PHOTO / CHS YEARBOOK

# Donley graduates' awards hit \$373K

Donley County high school received a \$12,000 graduates for 2020 received \$373,414 to further their education, according to announcements made by Clarendon and Hedley high schools during commencement exercises last weekend.

Clarendon High School seniors are eligible for or have received \$371,414, and the total for Hedley seniors is \$3,000.

CHS held its commencement at the Sandell Drive-In Friday, May 22. Each graduate was recognized for their individual awards and scholarships as well as the number of dual credit hours they had earned through Clarendon College. Not all scholarships mentioned will be used due to the student's choice of schools.

Regan Rene Allen earned six dual credit hours.

earned six dual credit hours and ciation, a Texas Valedictorian Scholreceived a PEAK Scholarship worth arship which pays one year tuition, 12 dual credit hours. \$750 per semester at Clarendon a Baylor University financial aid College.

Bryce Tanner Burch earned 19 dual credit hours and received a PEAK Scholarship of \$750 per semester at Clarendon College, Bill Talley Memorial Scholarship for \$1000, and the Homer Estlack Scholarship to Clarendon College for \$250.

Nyjamal Tynerick Butler-Evans was honored with the Fighting Heart Award and a Wayland Baptist University Athletic Scholar-

Victoria Grace Cranford earned six dual credit hours and received a PEAK Scholarship of \$750 per semester.

Mattee Mae Johnson earned 45 dual credit hours, was named the Girl Athlete of the Year and

Oklahoma Baptist Trustees Academic Scholarship, \$6,500 WTAMU Academic Scholarship, a \$16,000 HSU Presidents Scholarship, \$19,100 HSU Academic Scholarship, and a Lions Club Sweetheart Schol-

arship of \$500.

Harmond Kaase Drenth earned 63 dual credit hours and Associate's Degree from Clarendon College received a University Scholastic League Scholar Award, the Knorpp Valedictory Scholarship, the State of Texas Valedictorian Tuition Waiver, a \$1500 Ron Hudson Memorial Scholarship Joseph Matthew Boyd II of the Pioneer Gun Collectors Assopackage which totals \$198,264 over the next four years, and the Baylor

> ECS Scholar of \$7,500 per year. Trenton Andrew Smith graduated with 74 dual credit hours and an Associate's Degree from Clarendon College and received a University Interscholastic League Scholar Award, the Knorpp Salutatorian Scholarship, the Knorpp Cup Award, a Herring Bank Scholarship for \$300, a Jack Roach Scholarship for \$2000, a Les Beaux Arts Club Scholarship of \$500, a Kenady-Lee Scholarship to WTAMU for \$2,000, a T Boone Pickens Academic Excellence Scholarship to WTAMU of \$2000, a Smith Family Scholarship of \$10,000, and \$64,000 to Baylor University.

> > Schkiria Kameel Weatherton



**CHS Valedictorian** Harmond Drenth

earned 39 dual credit hours and received a University Interscholastic League Scholar Award, a Lions Club Sweetheart Scholarship of \$500, an FCA Scholarship worth an unknown amount at this time, a Wayland Baptist Pioneer Scholarship of \$22,000, and a Wayland Baptist Cheerleading Scholarship of Henry Logan Dushay earned

Madisen Paige Gay earned 27 dual credit hours and received a PEAK Scholarship worth \$750 per semester at Clarendon College, a Cross Roads Peanut Scholarship of \$500, and a Clarendon College Athletic Scholarship.

Samara Ann Christine Johnson earned 18 dual credit hours.

Maritza Guadalupe Mercado-Vazquez earned eight dual credit

Jaden Spence Monds earned 59 dual credit hours.

Kenneth William Overstreet earned eight dual credit hours. Braylee Danielle Shields

Hedley High School held its graduation Saturday night at the Sandell after a threatening storm blew over town.

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recognized credit.

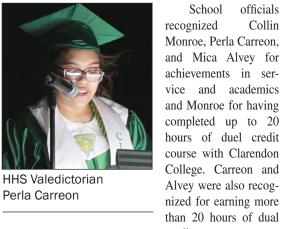
Erykah Martinez received the Hedley Lioness club scholarship for

Roper T. Copelin Memorial Scholarship for \$500 and the Lila Kate and Kylie Allison Monroe Scholar-

Mica Alvey received a Cross Road Peanut Company scholarship for \$500, a Herring Bank graduate award for \$300, a Herring Bank scholarship for Clarendon College for \$500, and the Lila Kate and Kylie Allison Monroe Scholarship

University Interscholastic League Scholar Award and the Donley County Retired School Personnel Scholarship for \$300. Perla has been named as the 2020 Highest Ranking High School Graduate of Hedley ISD. This award will exempt Perla form tuition fees for her first year of

Both Clarendon and Hedley school officials expressed their thanks to John and Tammi Morrow for making the Sandell Drive-In available to hold graduation exercises during this time of social dis-



Collin Monroe received the ship for \$300.

for \$300. Perla Carreon received the

college.





Oh, hail!

Clarendon and Howardwick residents were alarmed by rotation in a storm Saturday evening that dropped some sizeable hail on the area. Catrina Leeper had egg-size hailstones (left) near her residence on the south side of Greenbelt Lake, and Eric Riddle got pictures of golf ball-size stones (right) but said there was bigger hail that he didn't go out to photograph. COURTESY PHOTOS

# **CC** receives \$930k from **CARES Act**

Clarendon College is receiving \$929,717 from the CARES Act for expenses related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Interim President Tex Buckhaults reported the funding to the Board of Regents during their regular meeting last Thursday.

CC has been approved for the funding in three parts, he said. The first is \$442,844 for students, and CC has identified 362 students who are eligible for the funding. The college is working to contact all of those individuals so they can apply before the deadline at the end of this month. CC will then begin awarding the funds in the first two weeks of June.

The second part of funding is institutional, Buckhaults said, and totals \$442,843. Of that CC has already tapped about \$157,000 for dorm and meal plan refunds for the spring semester. The college also plans to use part of that funding for scheduling software to reduce the need for students to stand in line for registration and financial aid, improved wifi capabilities, an improved text messaging system, and other expenses.

The third part totals \$44,030 and can be used for "strengthening the institution." Buckhaults told the Enterprise that money has not been designated for a specific purpose yet.

The college's financial aid office also applied for and received about \$10,000 in emergency funding for students personally adversely affected by the pandemic. About 18 students have been identified by the college as eligible for that funding but those funds cannot be dispersed until the financial aid director receives proper training on the program by the state.

# **Buckhaults** Ione finalist to lead CC

Clarendon College Regents named Interim President Texas D. Buckhaults as the lone finalist for the college's top job during their regular meeting last Thursday, May 21.

Board Chairman Tommy Waldrop said at the meeting that the college must now wait 21 days under state law before hiring Buckhaults officially as president. Waldrop said regents could meet in closed session next month to "hash out" any questions and details of a contract.

Buckhaults told the Enterprise the 21 days is considered a "cooling off" period by the state and allows time for community members and faculty to raise any questions or concerns about the appointment.

Regents originally named Buckhaults as "part time interim president" on November 27 and then met again on December 9 to name him the "full time interim president."

According to a statement on the college website, Buckhaults has been with CC for 21 years and has served in the following positions: Vice President of Academic Affairs, Executive Vice President of Academic & Student Affairs, Vice President of Student Services, SACSCOC Accreditation Liaison, Director of Institutional Research and Title III,

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# **Politics and** a pandemic **jumble Texas** election year

By Ross Ramsey, Texas Tribune

Confused? Nervous that what you heard Tuesday about how to vote in Texas was illegal again Wednesday? Fretting that you might accidentally commit fraud by casting your ballot incorrectly?

Sometimes, if you watch too closely, you can't tell the direction something is going; it's all stops, starts and misdirection.

Current law says Texans can vote by mail if they're going to be out of their home counties during early voting and on election day, if they're in jail but eligible to vote, if they're 65 years or older, or if they

The state's relatively limited vote-by-mail opportunities were a subject of partisan dispute well before the emergence of COVID-19.

Republican lawmakers and consultants have argued that mail balloting is riddled with fraud, though courts have found the evidence for that lacking and those lawmakers have not put serious effort into ending the mail-in balloting already allowed.

Democrats, on the other hand, want to follow states that have made voting by mail an option for all voters, saying it would increase turnout – and hoping that increased turnout might improve their recent history of losing statewide elections in Texas.

The pandemic threw something new into that fight – the idea that it could be dangerous to vote in the presence of a contagious disease, and that current law could be read to allow all Texans to vote absentee instead of joining the lines at the polls.

What makes a voter "disabled" isn't clear and is at the center of the current legal disputes over who can vote by mail. If you apply for a mail ballot (here's how), you're asked to check one of four boxes, depending on which of the four vote-by-mail conditions you're claiming. Those who choose disability are directed to another section asking which elections they're applying for.

There is no place or requirement for voters to describe their disability.

State election law leaves some room for argument about that, which is one reason voting by mail is tangled up in court right now: "A qualified voter is eligible for early voting by mail if the voter has a sickness or physical condition that prevents the voter from appearing at the polling place on election day without a likelihood of needing personal assistance or of injuring the voter's health."

The folks suing to open voting by mail to anyone during the pandemic have argued that the threat of infection from the coronavirus in a potentially crowded voting location satisfies that definition of disability.

The Texas Tribune's Alexa Ura has documented every step of this tangled path: A state district judge agreed with them in a suit filed by Texas Democrats. A state appellate court agreed, but the Texas Supreme Court put that on ice temporarily and heard an appeal of that ruling this week. Meanwhile, in a federal case on the same subject, a San Antonio federal judge agreed that voting by mail should be opened up, in a colorful opinion that was quickly stalled by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

"Citizens should have the option to choose voting by letter carrier versus voting with disease carriers," U.S. District Judge Fred Biery said in his order. "We the People' get just about the government and political leaders we deserve, but deserve to have a safe and unfettered vote to say what we get."

For all of that, Texas law is unchanged at the moment. State lawyers will tell you that the coronavirus is not a disability and that voters have to appear in person unless they are out of county, in jail, 65 or older, or disabled. Both the state and federal trial court judges ruled that any Texas voter can request an absentee ballot during the pandemic and check the disability box; higher courts are reconsidering both of those rulings. And the law doesn't require you to list the reason for your disability if you apply for an absentee ballot.

This isn't just about the November general elections. The state's primary runoffs were pushed – another coronavirus disruption – from late May to July 14. Early voting in that election will start June 29. That will be the state's first test of how voters react to elections during a pandemic: whether more apply for mail ballots, whether more turn out or stay home, how state and local election officials manage everything.

But runoff elections are classically low-turnout affairs. The real test will come in November - and with a presidential race atop the ballot, which typically draws the highest number of voters of any election.

Big turnouts are terrific for civic engagement. But early voting and election day crowds are problematic if social distancing is the order of the day.



# Less 'Pomp,' more 'Circumstance'

Push Americans into a corner, and they'll either start painting or enliven the crunched space with creative juices soon to spill over.

Superintendents and other school "brass" have greatly expanded committees planning commencement ceremonies, realizing that "same old" plans employed historically since the earth started cooling are "no more." For many reasons – some understandable, some impractical and a few bordering on idiotic – most graduation exercises this year are far more casual. Formality has been kicked to the curb, and circus-like celebrations both in neighborhoods and on parking lots prevail. Some, I am told, have included steam calliopes, operators of which don't have Pomp and Circumstance in their musical repertoires.

This is not "rocket surgery." School leaders smile, knowing that if something goes wrong, there are masses of people to join them "egg-faced" in the corner. Graduates still get to wear caps and gowns, receive diplomas and move cap tassels to the other side....

Views of "new school" diploma distribution quash thinking of the "pros." Many "admins" likely are mumbling to themselves, much like teachers who've made room for standardized testing in schedules already bulging. Their utterances are similar: "We've never done it this way before."

Yep, accommodating six feet of separation has changed things.

Mice let loose and air horns blown in cavernous venues would hardly be noticed, and revelers trying to bring in bazookas wouldn't get past security....

Who would have dreamed - even

ago - that usual venues wouldn't get it done this year?

Instead, will file across home plates, goal lines and assorted other markers



in places like the Texas Motor Speedway, Globe Life Field and AT&T Stadium.

Commencement speakers will urge graduates to "start their engines" and seek to win in "the game of life."....

One wiseacre from a small high school bragged that he "finished right behind the valedictorian and salutatorian," failing to disclose that there were only three seniors in his class. He's the guy who wanted to have graduation ceremonies at the car wash.

School officials balked. Had such been allowed, the grads would have entered the car wash in academic regalia, "coming out clean" in swim suits on the other side....

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I have been privileged to address many graduates over the past 60+ years.

At one, the new principal invited parents who cared to do so to come on stage and "say a few words" when their offspring crossed the stage.

Realizing I was last on the program, I groaned at the prospect of speaking at a late hour. Though there were only about 30 graduates, at least that number of parents accompanied their graduates on stage when they accepted diplomas.

Parents "sobbed" and "blubbered" their expressions of thanks to faculty, coaches and others.....

Conditions were deplorable at the outset, and they got worse. We were in an old gymnasium with no air conditioning. It was a hot June night, with a one end to the other. Attendees were "scrunched" on backless bleachers, speak at 9:50.

granted little more attention than I

how tired you must be if you stand up. I know how late graduates tonight will

They applauded my eight-minute

Mostly, I recited a famous poem by Dr. Theodore Geisel, better known as

If you don't remember "My Uncle Terwilliger on the Art of Eating Popovers," you can look it up. That's all he said in his one-minute "commencement address" at Illinois' Lake Forest College 43 years ago....

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couple of box fans blowing hot air from babies cried and graduates fidgeted. We started at 7 p.m., and I was introduced to Groans were audible. Had Moses appeared with his stone tablets of commandments, he likely would have been

I began this way: "I know how uncomfortable it is for you to sit up, and stay up, so I pray to know when to shut



# The tale of Midland's funny girl

Mary Lou Cassidy of Midland has made her living as an oil and gas lawyer. "We had about 15 lawyers on the premises but I was inclined to attract an odd assortment of clients. Sometimes they could walk in the door and the receptionist would greet them and say 'I'll bet you're here to see Mary Lou.' They would be barefooted and have an Indian headdress on. Later I would ask the receptionist how she knew that was my client. 'Just a guess,' she would reply." Mary Lou is trying to retire but she started doing elder law, helping senior citizens. "They always need something."

She has been entertaining theater audiences in Midland for a long time. She has the ability to make people laugh.

"I open my mouth and it comes out. I think you must have a sense of timing, a big thing in comedy. You better be born with it. Either you got it or you don't. You have to teach some comedy basics to a good actor and they could fake it, but I think comedy timing is something you're born with and I have

She has been involved in theater most of her life. "When I was a little girl I was loud and boisterous, a tomboy and all this stuff. My parents took me down to the



of texas by tumbleweed smith

Midland Community Theater, which was in its infancy then, about 1952, or 53 and they had a children's theater group. Art Cole, the theater director, would teach the first class. He wanted to work on our accents. He had us say 'The light is bright in the night.' Then we would all shout back at him, 'The laht is braht in the naht.' He was from Ohio and couldn't stand to hear us talk. He finally got someone else to teach the class."

She has worked with the Midland Community Theater and 20 years ago started another theater group called The Maverick Players. At first, shows

were presented in a shopping mall and the American Legion building before moving to its current location in the VFW Hall. When they were in the mall, the Maverick Players did 4 shows a year. "Now we can only do 2 because the air conditioning system isn't too good. We do them in March and November."

Mary Lou has acted and directed and done just about everything else you can do in the theater. These days she's having trouble memorizing. She recalls a recent experience on stage. "I'd look at this actor and have to ask what act we were in. My Velcro is getting very slick."

She started a nationwide playwriting competition that brought in some unusual plays like a Zombie Hamlet. "In one, they had 2 window washers on a skyscraper talking back and forth and the dialog was good. They were having an interesting conversation. But the writer didn't know how to end it. He had them blast off into outer space."

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### **Donley County Social Hour 7**

Broken Road Jr. Liquor Store owners Karon and Larry Ely joined editor Roger Estlack and County Attorney Landon Lambert for the Donley County Social Hour 7 last Thursday to discuss their business and other fun topics. Dr. Robert Riza of Riza Executive Leadership also appeared on the show to discuss important business everyone should take care of to make the best use of time while in quarantine. Two weeks ago, the Social Hour's special guest was District 13 congressional candidate Josh Winegarner who addressed area issues and problems in the food supply chain. This week's social hour will be welcome another exciting mystery guest and can be viewed live at 5:30 p.m. on May 28, at Facebook.com/TheEnterprise.

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### Mulkey to host 80s classics

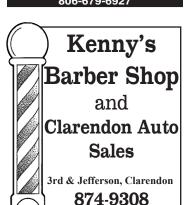
The Mulkev Theatre will host three classic movies for this coming weekend.

Uncle Buck will be shown at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, and The Breakfast Club will screen on Saturday at the same time. Sunday will feature Sixteen Candles at 2 p.m.

Admission will be a flat \$5 for everyone this weekend, and tickets for these films are available at MulkeyTheatre.com or at the door. Seating is limited due to social distancing, and the balcony is closed.

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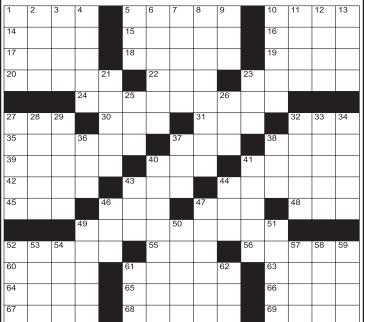




### Worship time

Community worship services continue at the Sandell Drive-In every Sunday at 10 a.m. where 63 souls and six dogs showed up this past weekend. Here D.Ann Riddle, Steve Phelps, Mac Miller, Nancy Fox lead singing before worship COURTESY PHOTO / ERIC RIDDLE





### **CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Common request
- 5. Department in France 10. Fungi cells
- 14. Famed inventor
- 15. Hillsides
- 16. Cold wind
- 17. La Tar Pits, Hollywood 18. Resembling a doddering
- old woman 19. Geological periods
- 20. Assists 22. Comedienne Gasteyer
- 23. Jewish spiritual leader 24. English soccer club
- 27. Body art
- 30. No (Scottish)
- 31. Clumsy person
- 32. Swiss river
- 35. Belittled
- 37. Luxury car
- 38. Single sheet of glass in a
- 39. Monetary units

### **CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Swedish rock group Serbian
- 3. Away from wind 4. Actor Oliver
- 5. Helps little firms
- 8. Type of tumor 9. Midway between east and
- southeast
- a ship's length
  11. Fruit of the service tree
- 12. Grouch
- 13. Romanian city
- 23. British Air Aces
- 26. Hem's partner
- 27. Turkic people
- 29. Liam Neeson franchise

- 40. Supervises flying 41. Indian term of respect
- 42. Breezed through
- 44. Flower cluster
- 48. Split pulses

- 63. A way to bind
- 66. Sportscaster Andrews
- 68. Astrological aspect

- 6. Intricately decorative
- American state

- 10. On a line at right angles to

- 21. Units of loudness

- 25. Small amount
- 28. Member of the banana family
- 32. Expressed pleasure 33. Inward-directed part of psyche

- 43. The bill in a restaurant
- 45. Moved quickly 46. Shooters need to do it
- 47. High schoolers' test
- 49. Salts
- 52. Breaking Bad actor \_\_ Paul 55. Set ablaze 56. Semitic Sun god
- 60. Nervous system cells
- 61. Tourist destination Buenos
- 64. Behave uncontrollably
- 65. Feels concern
- 67. Subway dwellers
- 69. You may take one

## 34. Insurgent

- 36. Unhappy 37. Gateway (Arabic) 38. Fundraising political group (abbr
- 40. Well-known 41. Satisfies 43. '\_\_ death do us part 44. Jailhouse informant
- 46. French river

satiny finish

- 47. A cotton fabric with a
- 49. Drenches 50. Clouds 51. Companies need to make them
- Created from seaweed One's school: \_\_ mater
- 54. A type of act
- 57. Member of Russian people 58. Neutralizes alkalis
- 59. Monetary unit 61. Play a role
- 62. Midway between south and southeast

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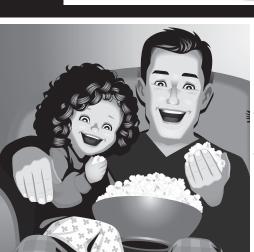
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### May 29

Uncle Buck • Mulkey Theatre • Friday @ 7:30 p.m.

### May 30

Breakfast Club • Mulkey Theatre Saturday @ 7:30 p.m.

### **May 31**

Sixteen Candles • Mulkey Theatre • Sunday @ 2:00 p.m.

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### **June 1 - 5**

**Donley County Senior Citizens** Mon: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, tomato, lettuce, pickle, sugar cookies, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Sliced pork w/gravy, garden blend rice, squash medley, wheat bread, fruit bowl, iced tea/2% milk. Wed: Ham, dressing, sweet potatoes, green beans, pumpkin pie, iced tea/2% milk

Thu: Breaded chicken tenders, oven baked potatoes, peas & carrots, strawberry short cake, iced tea/2%

Fri: BBQ beef on bun, corn salad, baked beans, sliced peaches, iced tea/2% milk.

### **Hedley Senior Citizens**

Mon: Beef taco bake, Spanish rice, cauliflower, tossed salad w/ dressing, country apple crisp, iced tea/2% milk.

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# **Obituaries**

### Milhoan

Keith Milhoan Heaven on Sunday, May 2020. He passed at home with family. He



was a loving Milhoan husband,

father, grandfather, and great-grand-

He was born December 1, 1947 in Amarillo, the son of Rosie Martha (Witt) and Daniel Miles Milhoan.

He graduated from Canyon High School, class of 1966. He celebrated 29 years of marriage this December to Barbara. He worked at Wheelabrator Coal Services for 14 years and for the State of Texas DOT for 17 years and retired from there in 2011.

He was survived by his wife Barbara, his son Jimmy Milhoan and wife Kelley; stepson Kevin Kerlee and girlfriend Mary Marshall; stepson Parker Kerlee; daughter Melissa Wilson and husband Jaramie, stepdaughter Gwen Morris; seven grandchildren, Johnathan Williams, Carissa Zinn, Alex and Payton Milhoan, Ashlie Wilson, Brooklyn and Devon Kerlee; six great-grandchildren, Kitana and Vanessa Zinn, Callie and Hayden Williams, and Bellamy and Keiran Wilson; one brother Martin Milhoan and wife Eda; one sister Carolyn Skarke and husband Bob; nieces (goddaughter) Lelia Groneman and Sonia Switzer; nephews Joe Beckman, Billy Lowery, Danny and Stephen Mil-

No service will be held per Keith's wishes. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to St. Jude or your preferred charity.

### Noble

Former Clarendon resident Jan Noble passed away Monday night. Services were still being planned at press time but were tentatively set for this Thursday. See RobertsonFuneral.com for more information.

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# Masks become political statements

By Alex Samuels, Texas Tribune

As Texas inches away from its economic shutdown and people resume sharing public and sometimes confined spaces, the question of whether to wear a face mask has become a way to pick sides in what's quickly becoming a coronavirus culture war.

The decision has led to everything from protests to the threat of criminal prosecutions and, at times, heated wars of words that have escalated to physical altercations. Mask arguments among Texans are happening everywhere from retail stores to the highest levels of government, frustrating public health experts who say masks help slow the spread of the virus.

The disagreements come as more and more businesses in Texas are allowed to open — with state officials trying to strike a balance between further economic devastation and thwarting the virus' spread. On Monday, Gov. Greg Abbott announced that the state was entering its second reopening phase, immediately opening child care facilities, while allowing bars to reopen at limited capacity later in the week and promising a return of sporting events - sans in-person spectators — by the end of the month. Some establishments, like gyms, restaurants and movie theaters, were already allowed to open at limited capacity.

In this phase of reopening, masks remain optional. Some local jurisdictions issued mask mandates last month, but in an executive order April 27, Abbott said municipalities can't impose penalties on residents who violate rules about wearing masks in public.

"We strongly recommend that everyone wear a mask," Abbott said. "However, it's not a mandate. And we'll make clear that no jurisdiction can impose any type of penalty or fine for anyone not wearing a mask."

But without a statewide directive on personal protective gear, further efforts to flatten the curve have essentially amounted to a statewide experiindividual decisions of millions.

Public health experts have advised the use of masks, especially in public spaces. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention also recommends the "use of simple cloth face coverings to slow the spread of

But pushback has been strong.

In San Antonio, a spectator caught a man without a mask yelling at a 99 Cents Only store employee for asking him to put on a face covering or leave.

"I don't care. Just because everyone's doing it, doesn't make it legal," the man is heard yelling at the masked employee. "The Texas governor said it's not legal and I don't have to."

"Do you hear that?" he goes on, on the phone who's wearing a thin, blue surgical mask. "Texas governor says you don't need shit. Call the cops. You think I'm scared?"

He later pushes someone recording the confrontation.

Police were dispatched to the store "for a report of assault in progress," but no arrests were made, according to the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Farther south, in Harris County, an April emergency proclamation mandating face coverings led to so much backlash — including a lawsuit against the county judge — that officials amended a draft of the order to eliminate jail time as a potential threat for noncompliance. Not wearing a face covering could only lead to a hefty fine, though Abbott's order overruled any penalties associated with the mandate hours after it went into effect.

The lawsuit seeking to block the order was filed by Steve Hotze, one of the most active culture warriors on the ideological right. On the day he filed it, Hotze, a vociferous opponent of same-sex marriage and vocal supporter of the failed 2017 "bathroom bill" that would have restricted the use of certain public facilities for transgender Texans, held a rally against the order in downtown ment in cooperation, hinging on the Houston. Attendees waved signs with

dom!" and "Just Say No" to masks.

Public health experts have Reed said. looked on in dismay at the sight of throngs of people crowd together without protective face gear. Experts have described wearing a face covering as a simple and cheap way to protect others nearby and potentially mitigate the spread among asymptomatic carriers of the contagion.

Summer Johnson McGee, the dean of the School of Health Sciences at the University of New Haven, said people need to think about carrying and using masks the same way they think about umbrellas on a cloudy or rainy day.

"If there is a chance of rain, we addressing a woman walking past him carry an umbrella, and in the same that can protect those around us and way, if there is any chance of being exposed to someone with the virus, you should carry a mask and use it,"

> "After social distancing, masks are our most effective tool to prevent the spread of the virus," she added.

> face covering, for some, has become a rebellion against what they see as a government foray on their personal liberties. For others, the choice is one of availability or convenience. Some Texans, especially those back in the workplace, said they found the facial coverings uncomfortable, hot or hard willing to tolerate long term. Others were skeptical of their feasibility.

choose not to venture out," said Josh Ellis, 41, who works in the Dallas legal industry.

'We should definitely be wearing masks in any public place," said Paige Brann, a student who lives in Spring Branch. "That being said, I haven't seen anyone wearing them. People roll their eyes when I wear

Aaron Reed, a restaurant worker in Austin, has been wearing a mask for eight to 10 hours a day.

"It's incredibly insulting to see

for the 15 minutes they are in a store,"

But politicians' mask decisions President Donald Trump said during an April 3 news conference that wearing masks would be a "voluntary thing" he was choosing not to partake Republicans declined to wear masks during the debate on a coronavirus relief package, despite a recommendation to do so by the House attending physician.

At the state level, House Speaker Dennis Bonnen, a Republican, promoted mask wearing earlier this month as a "simple, cheap, easy step accelerate our state's return to economic vitality." Still, at news con- it sucks." Cox said he's in favor of ferences where he huddles near the governor, lieutenant governor and other statewide health officials, it's essentially a mask-free zone.

But the decision not to wear a anger and unease — particularly among Texas Democrats.

> "A pledge: If @govabbott and criticize a single action taken today for at least 24 hours," state Rep. Erin Zwiener, D-Driftwood, tweeted ahead of Monday's press conference.

At the local level, some officials to breathe in, a nuisance they were not have chosen to don face coverings packing plant near Amarillo, echoed a during public meetings.

"I accept that masks are neces- Hidalgo and Houston Mayor Sylves- for eight hours while making the food sary in our current environment, but I ter Turner both regularly wear face you go shopping for, you can wear find them inconvenient and therefore coverings during livestreamed press one for your 30-minute trip to the briefings.

> Turner said earlier this week that the issue shouldn't become partisan. been convincing enough to the people In response to the question, he turned to Houston City Council member David Martin, a Republican, and said, "I'm affiliated with one party, the mayor pro tem is affiliated with another party, and we're both wearing

- though maybe not as charged as a he wrote. "Make America Great Again" hat —

messages like "Don't Mask My Free- some people can't be bothered to do it has led some experts to worry about the damage this could do to the general public, too.

"Masks help prevent spreadpublic places and protests where have been as inconsistent as the gen- ing the virus to other people. It's eral public's. At the White House, not 100% effective, but it's going to reduce the dose of the virus that you're releasing" if you're asymptomatic, said Shelley Payne, the director of the University of Texas in. In the U.S. House, several Texas at Austin's LaMontagne Center for Infectious Disease.

> Payne said it's important for public officials to talk to health experts and get informed opinions to the public. "They can model good behavior by wearing masks themselves," she added.

Matthew Cox, a student at the University of Texas at Austin, says he wears a mask on a daily basis. Still, he acknowledged, "it's hot out and requiring face masks in public, with the caveat that if they are required, they should be easily available and affordable."To protect the public The result has been resigned health and welfare, there is no good objection to not wearing a mask," he

"All of that said, I am a little conco wear masks today, then I will not cerned that the entitled and short-tempered people will go crazy," he added, noting he witnessed a fight Tuesday at a gas station "because some guy didn't want to wear a mask."

Lyle Burk, who works at a meatsimilar sentiment. "If I and the people Harris County Judge Lina I work with ... can wear face masks grocery store."

Still, the plight of others hasn't who still choose to go without one. The hardline conservative activist Michael Quinn Sullivan tweeted Wednesday that he'd "rather drive" than wear a required mask on Southwest Airlines flights next week.

"I'm not wearing a mask on a The political symbolism asso- plane unless it's an oxygen mask and ciated with wearing face coverings I am blasting commies' from the sky,"

# The Mulkey is back again

Since we are in a quarantine, we have missed out on things like going to the movies, but now we can go! The Mulkey has been open for a week or two now, and I've been having a lot of fun getting to see the

It is fun, and they still have the social distancing rules where people are spaced a row and two chairs apart. So far, I've seen the movies Forrest Gump, Breakfast at Tiffany's, and I Still Believe.

I've also been going swimming a lot, and I've gotten to go with all



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or go to the movies and the upcoming movies are Uncle Buck, Break-





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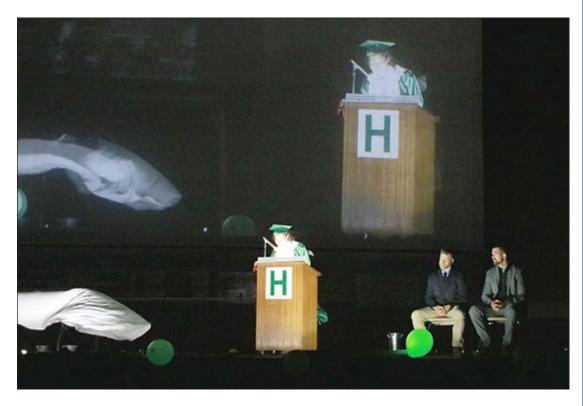
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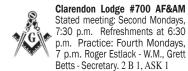
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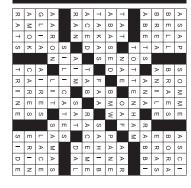


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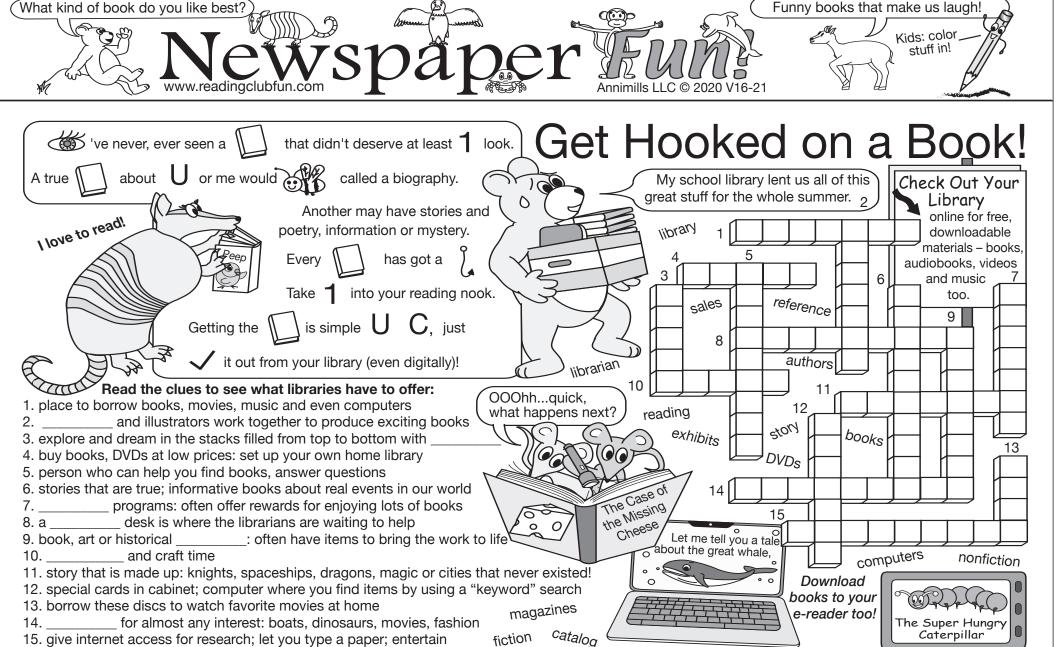
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# State budget reductions exclude CC

Clarendon exempted from state funding cuts COVID-19 such as forgoing capital last week when top Texas officials expenditures that can be deferred, told agencies to find ways to slash any avoidable travel expenditures, spending.

Gov. Dan Patrick, and House Speaker unfilled any open positions that are Dennis Bonnen last Wednesday sent not essential to Texas' COVID-19 a letter directing state agencies and institutions of higher education to each submit a plan identifying savings that will reduce respective government continues to maintain general and general revenue related mission critical services without appropriations by five percent for the placing a greater burden on taxpay-2020-2021 biennium.

The letter specifically exempted the state's 50 community colleges, which effectively preserved about \$135,000 in state funds for Clarendon College, according to take months until we know the true Interim President Tex Buckhaults.

between five and 25 percent," Buckhaults told the Enterprise.

Officials at CC and other community colleges were relieved when the governor's letter exempted them leges, the following agencies and along with several other agencies.

also urge state agencies and institu- importance of the state's response tions of higher education to pursue to COVID-19 and the continuity of cost-saving strategies that will critical government functions:

College was not affect the state's response to any administrative expenses that Gov. Greg Abbott, Lieutenant are not mission critical, and keeping response.

"As Texans recover from this pandemic, it is incumbent that state ers," reads the letter. "We are confident that Texas will get back to work and continue leading the nation in job growth, economic innovation, and business creation. However, it will extent of the economic ramifications "The state comptroller had of COVID-19, and how combating previously said the budget was safe this virus will impact state finances. through December, but then we To prepare for this economic shock, began hearing that we could see a cut we must take action today to ensure that the state can continue providing the essential government services that Texans expect."

Along with community colfunctions were exempted from the In the letter, the state leaders budget tightening in light of the

Appropriations to the Texas Division of Emergency Management, the Texas Department of State Health Services, the Texas Workforce Commission, the Texas Military Department; and the Texas Department of Public Safety;

Funding for debt service requirements and bond authoriza-

Current law requirements for the Foundation School Program and school safety; Funding for Child Protective Services; Benefits and eligibility levels in Medicaid programs, the Children's Health Insurance Program, the foster care program, the adoption subsidies program, the permanency care assistance program, and services for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities:

Funding for behavioral health service programs;

Appropriations for Correctional Security Operations and Correctional Managed Health Care at the Texas Department of Criminal Jus-

Appropriations to Health Related Institutions; and

Employer Contributions to the Teacher Retirement System and Employees Retirement System funds and to Social Security.

# **Regents:** CC rehires faculty members

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and various other positions.

ter's of Education from West Texas Scarlet Estlack, Kim Jeffrey, Kelly A&M University and a Bachelor's of McDonough, Devin McIntosh, Ken Science from West Texas State Uni- McIntosh, Andy McLatchy, Mark versity.

president is expected to assume Taylor, Johnny Treichel, and Frank office July 1.

Foundation.

The board accepted the administration's recommendation to renew board ratified the hiring of Hunter nine-month and 12-month faculty Jenkins as the head men's basketrehires as follows: Nine-month ball coach and former Lady Bullpositions - Candace Abrams, Dale dog Aleiyah Bantley as the assistant Askew, Melvin Balogh, Edward women's basketball coach; accepted

Caraway, Bruno Castel, Tye Chesser, the resignations of Joseph Mulder, Mr. Buckhaults holds a Mas- Joseph Davis, Russell Estlack, Isaac Fontenot-Amedee, and Pamela James, Deb O'Neal, Linda Rowland, The statement says the new Laura Paul, Jeremy Sain, Robert Vance; and 12-month positions - Jay In other college business last Anders, Missie Bradford, Ken Carweek, Regents accepted a proposal lile, David Carr, Jana Coats, Sherrie for \$16,975 for landscaping work on Denham, Rodney Donahue, Alicia the Pampa campus to be reimbursed Hunter, Jamie Mears, Alyssa Oates, by the Clarendon College Pampa Mandy Poole Guerrero, Decee Surratt, and Tommie Ray.

In other personnel moves, the

Hill; acknowledged the retirements of Charla Crump and Martha Smith; and let expire the contract of assistant women's volleyball coach LaDerrianne Golden.

Among several items in his report to the board, Buckhaults updated the regents on the SAC-SCOC site visit, which has been postponed to June 23, and said the college currently has a projected fall occupancy in the dorm of 230 students at this point although recruitment is still ongoing. He said CC is watching Navarro College, which plans to reopen its dorms in July to see what safety measures they take amidst the COVID-19 pandemic.

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# District 13 race gets attention

By Patrick Svitek, Texas Tribune

sides in one of the highest-profile seen a slew of endorsements split Republican primary runoffs this between Jackson and Winegarner. summer in Texas.

The deep-pocketed national conservative group is endorsing Ronny Jackson, the former White House physician, to replace retiring U.S. Rep. Mac Thornberry, R-Clarendon, in his safely Republican district. Jackson has the support of President Donald Trump in the July runoff against Thornberry's preferred successor, Josh Winegarner.

"We are proud to join President Trump in endorsing Ronny Jackson, a principled, pro-growth conservative and former presidential physician who served our country in uniform as an admiral in the U.S. Navy," Club for Growth's president, David McIntosh, said in the group's endorsement, which was first shared with The Texas Tribune.

The Club for Growth previously endorsed Chris Ekstrom, a prominent anti-establishment GOP donor, in the 15-way March primary. He finished third and has since thrown his support to Jackson as well.

Winegarner, industry affairs director for the Texas Cattle Feeders

mary, getting 39 percent to Jackson's The Club for Growth is taking 20 percent. Since then, the runoff has

> Jackson has picked up runoff endorsements from several statewide conservative groups like Texas Right to Life, as well as a couple of veterans groups and Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller. Winegarner, meanwhile, has added endorsements from prominent GOP figures from West Texas and the Panhandle, including state Sen. Charles Perry of Lubbock and his predecessor, Robert Duncan; former U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm, for whom Winegarner once worked; and Tom Mechler, the former Texas GOP chairman.

> On Friday, Jackson rolled out the endorsement of U.S. Rep. Steve Stivers of Ohio, a fellow veteran who served as the chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee during the 2018 election cycle.

However, easily the most important endorser in the race has been Trump, who sent out a tweet a few days before the March primary urging voters to send Jackson to the runoff. Trump weighed in again Friday, tweeting that Jackson has his Association, came in first in the pri- "Complete and Total Endorsement."

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# & Long-Term Care

A person who lives in a nursing or assisted living facility could be at risk of getting COVID-19. Coronavirus can spread fast in a facility if staff and residents move around the building and come into contact with one another.

State and federal government are temporarily restricting visits by family members and others not giving "essential care."

### Resources

### **The National Consumer Voice**

The National Consumer Voice for Quality Long-Term Care has developed fact sheets on what families, facilities, and communities need to know about COVID-19. Visit their webpage for information on limiting the spread, federal guidelines for facilities, and how residents and families can stay connected.

theconsumervoice.org

### **Assistance**

### **Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program**

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program serves as the advocate for residents in long-term care. Ombudsmen have remained available to advocate for the highest quality of life and care for residents during the coronavirus crisis. If you have questions or concerns about a resident's care or rights contact your local ombudsman for the Texas Panhandle Area Agency on Aging.

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### **Formal Complaints**

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