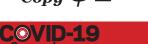
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Coronavirus in DONLEY COUNTY
TESTS CONDUCTED LOCALLY AT CLARENDON FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER
TOTAL TESTS (at local clinic) 129
PENDING 2
NEGATIVE 107
CONFIRMED (at local clinic) 20 TESTS CONDUCTED OUT OF COUNTY
CONFIRMED (at other facilities) 7 SOURCE: DONLEY COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE
TOTAL CONFIRMED 27
OUT OF THE CONFIRMED CASES RECOVERED 25
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NOTE: A new local case of COVID-19 was reported by family on social media this weekend but had not been reported to the county by the state at press time. That would bring the local tally to 28.

National Guard to hold COVID testing

The Texas National Guard will hold a local drive-thru COVID-19 testing at Clarendon College on Tuesday, July 14, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., according to Donley County Judge John Howard, MD.

Those wishing to be tested for the coronavirus will need a valid ID (such as a driver's license) and are urged to call ahead to get a testing time.

Howard said the guard will open a call center 48 hours prior to the testing, but details on that were not available at press time. Those who don't call ahead will be able to register onsite for the test.

More information about this testing opportunity will be published as it becomes available.

CHS Class of 1980 to hold 40th reunion

The Clarendon High School

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City welcomes visitors to celebration

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Panhandle's oldest will still move scrambles. forward this weekend.

ment Association's Junior Rodeo Lunch downtown Friday this year. scheduled for Thursday night, July

Clarendon is set to welcome 2, and the Ranch Rodeo on Friday July 4, beginning with the Arts & also begin at 9 a.m. The Kids' Parade and entry forms are available in visitors to the 143rd annual Saints' and Saturday nights, July 3 and 4, Craft Fair on the square at 9 a.m. will line up at 8:30 at Keith Floyd's this week's Enterprise as well as at Roost Celebration this Thursday, will be limited to 50 percent capacity Friday, and Saturday, July 2, 3, and with social distancing encouraged. All rodeo events will go on as usual, The coronavirus pandemic except for the dances afterward. has put most area July Fourth cel- COEA will also proceed with the ebrations on hold this year, but the usual kids' events, including the calf and serve as master of ceremonies on ChamberEvents.

The First Baptist Church con-The big day will be Saturday, sponsored by the Donley County 4H. shop at Third and Sully. Booths must be reserved through the 874-2141.

the square.

Donley County 4H by calling 806- is asking all parents to register their ChamberEvents. kids for the parade online by using Ed Montana will provide music the form at ClarendonTX.com/ tures \$850 in cash prizes with \$200

The Chamber of Commerce's Parade will also start at 9 a.m. the best animal or riding unit, \$100 Clarendon Outdoor Entertain- firms there will be no Depression Kids' Bicycle & Tricycle Parade, with the parade taking off at 10:00. for the best tractor or farm equip-

the Visitor Center. Entry forms are Kids' Parade Chair Kim Fowler also available at ClarendonTX.com/

The Herring Bank Parade feaavailable for the best float, \$100 for Line up for the Herring Bank the best car or truck entry, \$100 for See 'Celebration' on page 8

sponsored by Shelton & Shelton The theme for this year's parade is ment entry, and \$100 for the best Attorneys and Mike's Pharmacy, will "Texas Strong - United We Stand," **Mayor issues** letter to allow



lowing the latest executive order of Gov. Greg Abbott.

The governor took several steps to respond to rising COVID-19 cases around the state, including closing bars and banning most public gatherings of 100 people or more. Rodeos were exempted, however, and Abbott allowed other events to proceed with the permission of local authorities.

Officials have urged, but not required, citizens to wear masks at this weekend's events and to observe social distancing requirements.

Until this past weekend, Donley County had not had a confirmed new case of COVID-19 since June 3. Posts by family members on social media Sunday reported that another Donley County person had tested positive for the disease in an Amarillo hospital, which would bring the local COVID-19 count up to 28.

As of Tuesday, that case had not yet been reported to the county by the state, so the official tally remains at 27 for this week's Enterprise. Four more patients were tested at the Clarendon Family Medical Center since last Tuesday. Two of those tests were negative and two are still pending. That brings the total local tests to 129 with 107 negatives.



Cold lemonade!

Paylin Hodges and Adleigh Moore stand beside their lemonade stand during the June heat Monday morning. The girls reported having a good business and served up some very refreshing lemonade to those passing by. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Class of 1980 will hold their 40th anniversary reunion this weekend during the activities planned for the annual Saints' Roost Celebration.

Dinner and visiting will be held Friday night at Dan Sawyer's barn. The class will also ride in the Herring Bank Parade Saturday, July 4, and enjoy the barbecue afterward.

Saturday afternoon, classmates will enjoy ice cream at Stocking's at 1:00 and then watch a classic 1980s movie, Smokey & The Bandit, at the Mulkey Theatre at 1:45.

The reunion will close out with a potluck dinner Saturday night.

For more information, contact Colleen Fross at 806-205-0434.

Class members of 1979 and 1981 are welcome to attend as well.

City council to hold town hall July 14

The City of Clarendon will host a town hall meeting to discuss the status of the USDA water infrastructure project, streets, and other issues Monday, July 13, at 6:30 p.m. at the Mulkey Theatre.

Mayor Sandy Skelton set up the meeting last week in response to citizens' concerns, and the city looks forward to addressing those issues.

Brooks' concert sets record at Sandell

Casting Crowns to perform July 18

The Sandell Drive-In reports own vehicle. that it recorded its largest audience event.

Owner John Morrow said the event wasn't as big as they had hoped but still brought in more than 670 people, who arrived in 134 cars. Morrow reopened the Sandell in to coast, in Canada and here in the 2002, and his biggest attendance since then was 415 people.

"There was a problem with the online ticket system, and it crashed the site the first day," Morrow said. "I think a lot of people thought the show was sold out, and I think that killed the main surge."

The Sandell was one of only 300 drive-in theatres across North America to host the Brooks' concert, which attracted a total of more

It was the first time anything in its modern history Saturday night like this had ever been done. The with a special Garth Brooks concert concert was created exclusively for this event. It was recorded in Nashville, with the full band.

> "This time, I was the fan and the people were the entertainment. Watching people all night from coast US, laughing, dancing, and singing, made me smile," said Brooks. "It reminded me how much I miss the crazy, happy, and unpredictable life we lead as entertainers. For one night, things seemed...right."

The event was produced by Encore Live.

Morrow said the recorded show included a 20-minute pre-show with Randall King of Amarillo.

than 350,000 fans, who were able to said. "We had two dogs run off when Casting Crowns performing live are \$100 per car with six people enjoy this special event, with friends we lit the fireworks at the start, and on stage on July 18. Morrow said and family, from the safety of their I felt bad about that. I'll definitely



Fans from an unknown theatre celebrate Saturday's Garth Brooks drive-in concert, which was shown in 300 locations across North America, including Clarendon's Sandell Drive-In Theatre. COURTESY PHOTO / 8 TEN INC

dogs in the future."

The Sandell is expecting page "I thought we did good," he another big crowd this month with tickets are on sale now for that, and

warn anyone I see come in with fans can buy those online through a link on the Sandell's Facebook

> Tickets to see Casting Crowns maximum per car. The event will be limited to 430 tickets, he said.

Early voting is underway

Early voting began Monday for runoff elections for Texas Democratic and Republican primaries.

Local interest is focused on the Republican ballot, which has Josh Winegarner and Ronny Jackson seeking to be the GOP candidates for the 13th Congressional District.

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted at the Donley County Courthouse Annex through July 10. The annex will be closed on July 3 for the holiday weekend. The primary runoff elections will be held July 14, 2020.

PCS receives grant to assist residents with expenses

lion dollars designated to provide nesses to re-allocate current funding Texas Panhandle experiencing eco- Panhandle community. nomic hardship due to COVID-19.

vices has received more than \$3 mil- private foundations, and local busiimmediate support to residents of the and obtain new monies to assist the to help those Panhandle residents

The agency has been work- families get back on their feet and Director of PCS. "Now, more than pane, or wood, as well as water, and

this difficult time.

"We have always been here struggling with economic insecu- help with include: PCS will use these funds to help rity," states Magi York, the Executive

Panhandle Community Ser- ing with federal and state officials, remain economically stable during ever, we want to be able to help. We trash; care. We are here, and we are in this with you!"

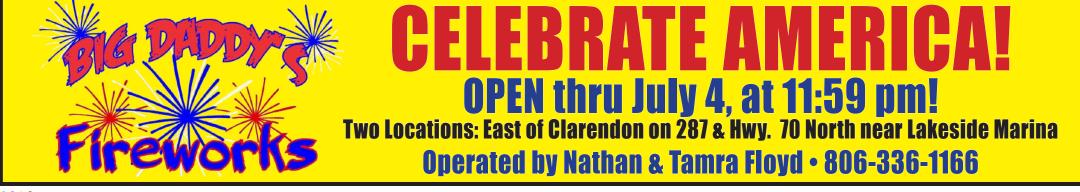
Some of the things PCS can

Utility Bills - Electric, gas, pro-

Housing Costs - Including both

rent and mortgage payments; Other Necessities - Including prescriptions, doctor visits, and food / If families have received emer-

See 'PCS' on page 6



Many happy returns from **Uncle Mort**

Uncle Mort isn't his usual self. His 108th birthday is at hand, and he's hung up on whether to have a "real" party, or join the growing list of folks who are "computer Zooming" to celebrate special occasions. (Printers are shaking their heads, turning out fancy invitations with the word "virtual" in big type.)

"Maybe I'd do well to throw a 'virtual' party," Mort mused. "Most people would understand they aren't expected to attend, but that sanitized gifts, gift cards or cash left near the cattle guard by the front gate would be appreciated."

His is a dilemma of vast dimensions, and instead of "ballyhooing" his arrival at age 108 on July 4, he's seriously considering wife Maude's growing insistence that he forget about numerical birthdays. "I'd heap

rather kinfolks think of Mort as an 'ageless uncle,' and friends who talk about 'the old guy out in the country' whose name they can't recall."... ****



In a land mired in the "what ifs," Uncle Mort is leaning toward "virtual." After all, since he's an imaginary person, maybe his take on things usually has "what if?" twangs.

Mort has warm memories

of dozens of birthday parties where he received lots of presents, and even more "many happy returns" wishes.

The phrase stuck in his mind, so he researched its origin, learning that the expression has been tossed around at birthday parties - as well as a few other celebrations - for almost three centuries. It simply is an expression of hope that celebrants will have many more happy years to enjoy....

Mort's mind swirled with memories of bygone days when his heroes enjoyed truly happy birthdays. Foremost was author/speaker/motivational king "Zig" Ziglar. Hundreds of friends and loved ones gathered for a fancy dinner and testimonials to mark the "59th anniversary of his 21st birthday" when he reached age 80. (He died at age 86 in 2012.)

"I'm glad we have his books and cassette tapes. It's a treat to read Ziglar books while playing a 45 rpm record of Kate Smith singing 'God Bless America'. We could use a good dose of his thoughts and her singing right now," he added. (Smith died in 1979 at age 86.)

My uncle says he's enjoyed "many mirthful days," and fears that during quarantines, such times are more "girthful" than "mirthful."... ****

What to do? For most of this year, most Americans have been too close to food for too much of the

day. friend Pat - whose good cheer through good times and bad provides anchors for thousands of others - insists on maintaining a "sunny side up" disposition. She even smiles broadly when "girthful" topics come up, including admission that she has "fluffed up" in quarantine. "During April, I had no appetite," she says. "I didn't care to eat anything, and pounds seemed to melt away. But, things changed in May. I ate everything that wasn't nailed down. The pounds have returned, and they brought their friends along."...

Independence Day amid COVID-19

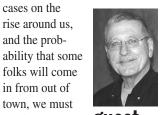
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Independence. As Americans we enjoy this blessing as our birthright. Yet, it was not given to us; we earned it. We have sacrificed much to preserve it for almost a quarter of a millennium. Independence is enshrined in our Constitution and embedded in our DNA. And none value independence more than Texans. We celebrate it every year with now familiar events here in Clarendon.

This year's celebration comes in the midst of our battle against a deadly worldwide pandemic. The battle has seriously challenged our nation and affected every person in the land. Half a million worldwide have perished already. Over 127,000 of those were Americans - more than any other country. While only 2300 of those were Texans, the incidence of disease is on the rise in our state and the Governor on Friday imposed new restrictions on the re-opening of the state.

I am pleased, and proud, to report that our last case in Donley County was on June 3rd. And before that, the last case of community spread was on April 9th. The citizens of our community took seriously the threat which at one time characterized us as the "sickest county in Texas" and gained us some temporary notoriety. And we stopped it! But with



guest continue to exercise reasonable commentary precautions to by Judge John Howard, MD protect ourselves

from further spread here. Several communities have cancelled their traditional 4th of July celebrations this year. In Clarendon we will have our rodeo, parade, and gathering on the courthouse square. It will look different this year. We will not serve our own barbeque. The crafts will be spread out on the square to permit more distancing in the crowd. And there will be handwashing stations and sanitizer available.

Some of us will need to carefully consider whether we should be in a large gathering of people – where we know the virus spreads more easily. Those of us who are more vulnerable to serious problems from the virus (over 60 years old, heart, lung or kidney problems, diabetes, obesity, immune system disease - to name a few) will need to weigh the risk. All who attend should exercise well

known prudent precautions to prevent contracting or spreading the virus. Wearing a mask reduces such risk when you will be closer than six feet from others. I know it is hard, but we really don't need to shake hands and hug each other this year – and when we forget that, don't forget the hand sanitizer.

Remember that the disease can be spread by those who have no symptoms or very mild symptoms. If you are serious about avoiding the virus then you also need to avoid close contact with those who have been in a crowd. The incubation period after exposure is around 4-5 days but can be up to 11 days. And those who contract the illness can continue to shed the virus for 3-4 weeks. While we may feel that we are at low risk from the virus ourselves, we must consider the impact of spreading to others. Ultimately it is the responsibility of each individual to protect themselves. Responsibility - the all-important corollary to Independence.

However you choose to celebrate our Independence I urge you all to have a great, and safe, weekend. And remember those who have provided it as our legacy. God Bless America.



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While on the subject of food, my uncle smiled the other day upon entering Stanley's BBQ place in Tyler. Masked personnel carefully escorted customers

inside one at a time. Even as they salivated at the thought of "chowing down" on the 'cue, they tried to maintain social distance instructions by "remaining one cow length apart."...

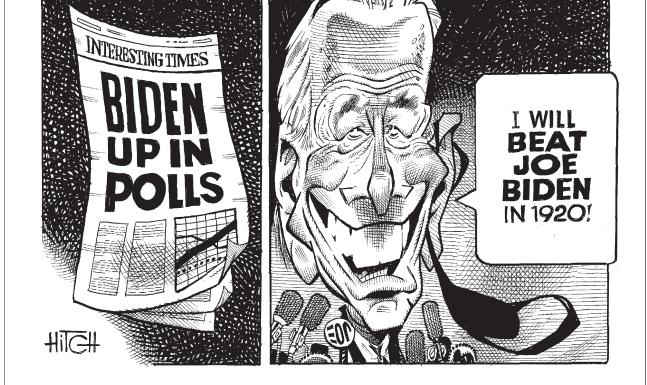
Uncle Mort is as "befuddled" as the rest of us concerning COVID-19. But he does have strong opinions, and they aren't "virtual."

He asks a reasonable question: "Are you telling me that my chances of survival are in direct proportion to others exercising common sense?"

He made this final observation: "If you believe all of this will end and we'll soon get back to normal with the snap of a finger, raise your hand, then slap yourself in the face with it!" Let's all wish Mort "many happy returns," or as many more as he wants... ****

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Pageantry at a West Texas pool

Perhaps the most dazzling outdoor summer event in West Texas is the Fort Stockton Water Carnival.

"It takes place at night in mid-July," says Vicki Mitchell who has worked with Water Carnival for 27 years. "We have spectacular costumes, glitter, glitz, dramatic lighting and it's all at Comanche Springs Pool." Each nightly performance begins with a beauty pageant followed by an outdoor theatrical show with props and a huge cast. The show changes every year and Vicki has written some of the scripts for the show. Her husband builds props. This year the title is "How Not To Propose In Las Vegas." Big crowds come from all over the state and beyond to see the show. They are seated in bleachers around the Olympic size pool.

"Dancing and synchronized swimming are rotated so we have a dancing act that has something to do with the script, then we have a swimming act that has something to do with the script. Our show usually has about 16 different acts."

After the show, winners of the beauty pageant are announced. Saturday's winner (for girls 17 to 22) gets a schol-

by tumbleweed smith works with the chamber of commerce, making appearances throughout the year as Miss Fort Stockton.

arship and

200 volunteers, including generations of some families, work with Water Carnival practically the entire year preparing for it. The same people have worked lights for 40 years. It's Fort Stockton's biggest event.

"That's what you do when you live in Fort Stockton all your life. When I was growing up I lived near the pool and would hear the music from the show. Our summers are spent on Water Carnival. We don't have a summer vacation. That's our family time together. It's a



of texas

time of school and family reunions." The Water Carnival has been a part

of Fort Stockton since 1936 when the Lions Club wanted to do something at the big swimming hole that was created by natural springs

"They would dance, have diving exhibitions and all kinds of stuff. Water Carnival lasted a whole week back then. Now it's Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights the 3rd weekend in July. So you come, you see beautiful girls at the first, and then you watch a great show of swimming and dancing. After that we name our pageant winners in different age categories.

The springs started slowing down in 1950 with the increase in agriculture. The pool was built in 1953 and stays full of water year round. There' a good reason for that.

"When it rained a lot, the pool would float out of the ground because the water underneath the springs would lift the pool up. So it's filled with water all the time to keep it weighted down."

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The Patriot • Mulkey Theatre • Friday @ 7:30 p.m. • Saturday @ 7:30 p.m. • Sunday @ 2:00 p.m.

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dell Drive-In • 10 a.m.

July 18 Casting Crowns • Sandell Drive-In • Live on Stage



July 6 - 10 **Donley County Senior Citizens**

Mon: Hot beef on bun, green salad, pinto beans, sliced peaches, iced tea/2% milk.

Macaroni/beef/tomatoes, Tue: turnip greens, black eyed peas, iced cornbread, applesauce, tea/2% milk.

Wed: Chicken enchilada, picante sauce, chopped broccoli, tater tots, sugar cookies, iced tea/2% milk. Thu: Taco pie w/salad topping, pinto beans, mixed vegetables, tortilla, butterscotch pudding, iced tea/2%

milk. Fri: Sliced ham, green beans, sliced cucumbers, whole wheat bread, peanut butter cookies, iced tea/2%milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin square, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Baked chicken breast, baked potatoes/sour cream, peas, pineapple tidbits, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Beef soft tacos, Spanish rice, broccoli, seasoned corn, peaches, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Chicken teriyaki w/rice, stir fry vegetables, green peas, wheat bread, canned peach slices, sweet potato pie, iced tea/2% milk. Fri: Oven fried chicken, bow tie pasta, broccoli raisin salad, iced tea/2% milk.

Discovery Center sets new hours



Nathan Estlack, Ben Estlack, Dan Estlack, and Mason Allred grabbed brooms and shovels Tuesday morning to help clean up downtown ahead of the Saints' Roost Celebration. TxDOT and city crews were also out this week polishing up the town. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Cleaning up one block at a time

Earlier this week, my family the other side. and I thought it would be a good idea There was a big if me, my cousins, and my friend pile of dirt on Mason went downtown to main our side, and street and cleaned off the sidewalks we had to make and gutters.

So, this week on Tuesday, me ours before we the cub and my crew started on our first even passed the block, which is from the old restau-ment to the ulling in the old restaurant to the old hotel.

Mason and I took one side of and swept the rest of the sidewalks

a trip to dump

Then we went by benjamin estlack

the street, while my cousins took into the gutters. Once we did that, we

had big piles of dirt in the gutter and ended up needing to use a shovel to pick it all up.

Once it was time for lunch, Mason and I still had a bunch left so all of us got together to finish it and were able to finish the first 1/3 of our project.

I'd like to thank my cousin, Mark Putman, for bringing Gatorade to our crew. We really appreciated it!

Memories of past celebrations

My first memories of the 4th of "rode for the July celebrations are in Clarendon: brand," in our the rodeo in what is used only as a case the RO. football stadium now, a parade with mostly cowboys and cowgirls, roped George off main street with dancing as long McCracken, as you could stand.

During WWII, I don't remem- in the rodeo ber a barbecue, but in about 1946, after he marranchers donated beeves and hosted ried. He said a free barbecue until the food ran he out. As I remember, those cowboys leave that to the youngsters. We could put away the groceries!

their favorite. At that time everyone family and friends as they strolled by happy memories.

My Dad, 'wick never rode

> **Dicks** by peggy cockerham Howardwick • 874-2886

would

came in from the ranch and sitting and one is on the ventilator. Don't The rodeo was mostly local on the courthouse lawn with a picnic take a chance folks. Have a good lads, and people came to cheer on spread out, visiting with all the time and remember this Fourth with

was a big treat. This year, I will stay home as

the COVID-19 continues to spread. Thankfully, it's not spreading in Donley County (yet). Please keep your distance, wear your mask, and use hand sanitizer.

Did you hear about the family around Dallas who attended a surprise birthday party and 18 members of the family became infected with COVID? Three were hospitalized,



Awakening Events, is growing again of Awakening Events. "We've had All dates on the Drive-In Theand will be coming to Clarendon's a long history of successful shows ater Tour will comply with local with Casting Crowns. The powerful Awakening Events announced way in which their music impacts last week that Casting Crowns people is something that is needed in this season. I'm honored that the Michael W. Smith, Steven Curtis Casting Crowns' team has decided to join us on this exciting new journey, as part of the Drive-In Theater Tour taking live music to the people, on When speaking with Mark Hall, 15, with dates planned in Florida, lead vocalist of Casting Crowns Oklahoma, Texas, Indiana, and Ohio about the Drive- In Theater tour con-





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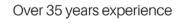


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The critically acclaimed Drive- Crowns was an immediate yes," said right now. We pray these nights will In Theater Tour series, produced by Dan Fife, President and Founder offer people hope."

The Don Harrington Discovery Center in Amarillo has made a few adjustments to its summer schedule, according to an announcement last week.

The Discovery Center is open during these new temporary hours: Tuesday- Saturday, 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Guests may plan ahead by reserving admission online. Members do not need to reserve online; and if a person qualifies for a discount (student, military, senior), it will need to be purchased at the front desk during their visit.

The center regretfully canceled the remainder of its Summer Camps scheduled for July due to COVID19 guidelines. The safety and health of campers and staff is always the highest priority at the Discovery Center.

As with our June cancellations, this decision did not come easily as this is a disappointment for all, including the Discovery Center. If someone has previously registered for a July camp, you should have received an email with refund information. For more information about refunds email bgervasi@dhdc.org or call 355-9547 ×103.

The DHDC staff has planned a special patriotic day on Friday, July 3rd from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., which will include Exploding Melon, Mentos Geysers, Fire Breathing, Fire Bubbles, Tesla Coil and Trash Can Chaos. Kids will also be able to make their own firework salt art to take home.

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will join industry titans TobyMac, Chapman, Mac Powell, and more Series. The Casting Crowns tour the Drive-In Theater Tour Series." begins in Fayetteville, Ark., on July, with a performance in Clarendon on cept he had this to say. July 18.

"When we began discussing the tunity to get out and play some and dates for the tour is available Drive-In Theater series and which shows in a safe environment. I think at www.awakeningevents.com or artists made the most sense, Casting on a lot of levels families need this www.driveintheatertour.com.

guidelines related to Covid-19.

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My name is Guy Ellis. My wife Robin and I have lived in Clarendon for 23 years now, hard to believe. Like you, I want what is best for our region and the people that call this area home. I am supporting Josh Winegarner for Congress.

Josh is a strong Christian conservative and knows firsthand the needs of our communities. Josh and I have traveled to D.C. together, and I have personally witnessed him defending agriculture and our way of life to lawmakers who do not understand who we are or what we do in District 13. Josh worked to roll back harmful Obama-era regulations, fought against animal activists who want to put us out of business, and supported President Trump's sound trade policies.

Not only this, but Josh strongly supports our oil and gas producers and will fight for America's energy independence. He will stand with President Trump to secure our borders, and he will work to keep our military strong and stand up for our veterans. He is pro-life, will stand up for our Second Amendment rights, and supports our law enforcement.

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Thornberry responds to partisan police reform

WASHINGTON - Congressman Mac Thornberry (R-Clarendon) released the following statement last week after the House of Representatives voted on partisan police reform legislation.

"Speaker Pelosi and the House Democratic majority have once again written and passed a partisan bill that will not be signed into law, joining their Senate counterparts in delaying necessary policing reform for the country. They would obviously rather have an issue for their campaigns than take action on legislation where there is widespread agreement.

"Although House and Senate Democrats agree on many of the reforms included in the JUSTICE Act, they continue to work in a partisan manner, emphasizing their politics over substance. As a co-sponsor of the JUSTICE Act, I will continue to support meaningful police reform that strengthens the relationship between law enforcement officers and their communities."

Key provisions in the Republican alternative the JUSTICE Act:

Requires law enforcement agencies to maintain and share to any Federal, State, or local law enforcement agency disciplinary records for 30 years in order to streamline transparency and hiring;

Makes lynching a federal crime;

Penalizes any law enforcement agency that does not develop a policy banning the use of chokeholds except where deadly force is authorized;

Requires annual reporting on the use of force and no-knock warrants;

Implements Department of Justice (DOJ) training that focuses on de-escalation techniques and law enforcement interaction with mentally ill individuals; and

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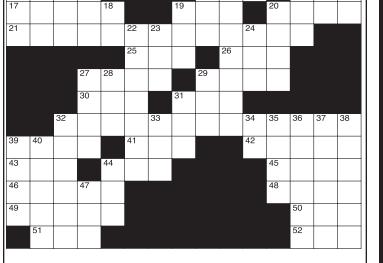
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- 12. United Arab Emirates city
- 13. Surinam toad
- 14. Sign language
- 16. Tattoo (slang)
- 17. Makes level
- 19. Sun up in New York
- 20. It must be scratched
- 21. Where people live 25. Swiss river
- 26. Buddy
- 27. One of two equal parts of a divisible whole
- 29. Shrek is one

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Occur 2. Show up 3. Capital of Taiwan 4. Former French coin 5. Some are bad 6. Monetary unit 8. Package (abbr.) 9. Indian religious person 11. Crew 14. Antidiuretic hormone 15. Makeshift 18. Baseball box score stat 19. Make a mistake 20. Not moving 22. Even distribution of weight 23. Clumsy person
- 39. No longer having life 41. Former OSS 42. A way to emit sound 43. Mandela's party 44. Adult female chicken 45. U. of Miami's mascot 46. Southeastern Chinese people 48. Casino game 49. Amos Alonzo __, US football coach 50. Joint connecting two pipes at right angles

30. Egyptian unit of weight

32. Carroll O'Connor's TV wife

31. Fiddler crabs

- 51. Will Ferrell film
- 52. River in NE Scotland

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Actor Mark Soter attended the Mulkey Theatre's screening of Nail 32 Sunday afternoon. Soter (left) shown here with J.D. Vernon of Clarendon. Soter plays AI, an assistant preacher, in the movie and drove to Clarendon from Ft. Worth with his wife on Saturday to spend the night here and see the movie Sunday.



Lions Leaders

Lion Roger Estlack was recongnized as the incoming Second Vice District Governor for Lions Clubs in the Texas Panhandle (District 2-T1) this past weekend during the state Lions convention in Longview. Shown here are incoming Second Vice District Governors Joe Lewis Ponce (District 2-A3), Rickey Caughron (District 2-X2), Ralph McCain (District 2-T3), Vicky Dulin (District 2-S4), Paul Moore (District 2-S2), Council Chair Elect Suzi Schneider, Estlack (District 2-T1), Fred Conger (District 2-X1), and Doug McDonough (District 2-T2).

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Obituaries Cook

Syble Ervin Lee Cook, 93 of Panhandle died June 4, 2020, of natucauses. ral She was born in Lavaca, Arkansas. February 19,

1927, to Earl and Olvie (Morris) Ervin. Syble

married Jack Clifton Cook Cook on June 2, and

1943 from their marriage they had nine children. J. C. Cook (deceased), direction of Robertson Funeral Linda Smallwood of Amarillo, Directors of Clarendon. Shirley Baker and husband Raymond of Panhandle, Sandra Ban- 1935, in Hedley, to Wallace and nister (deceased), Jackie Cook of Elva Aufill Raney. She grew up Nashville, Tennessee, Tommy Cook in Clarendon and was a gradu-(deceased), Betty Sanderson of ate of Clarendon High School and Chandler, Arizona, Molly Brucker Clarendon College. She was always and husband Craig of Clarendon, proud of her parents farming operaand Marilyn Defries and husband tion 10 miles southeast of Clarendon. Larry of Clarendon.

grandchildren.

made many dresses for her daughand all of their holiday gatherings.

She married V. E. Johns in 1964 Blind. Ruth loved to travel. and they moved to Panhandle in including Filter Media and Bell Heli- Lou Johnson; and sister Ann. copter. She married Jackie Miller in changing her surname back to Cook.

their loving care of our mother.

Memorial services will be held July 4, 2020 at 2:00 pm, 4800 Greenbelt Way #1. Clarendon, TX 79226.

Cremation was under the direction of Minton Chatwell Funeral Directors of Panhandle. Graveside memorial will be July 5, 2020, at 5:00 pm at Panhandle Cemetery, Panhandle, TX 79068.

McAdoo

Ruth Raney McAdoo, formerly of Clarendon, passed away in Pampa on Monday, June 29, 2020 at the age

Cemetery in McAdoo Clarendon with Rev.

Lance Wood officiating.

Arrangements are under the

Ruth was born December 6, While living in Raton, New Mexico, Syble leaves behind six chil- she worked as a Branch manager dren, 20 grandchildren, 41 great for a bank, and had part interest in grandchildren and 19 great- great race horses. She also taught school in Amarillo and was an owner of She worked at Marie Founda- Panhandle Productions. Ruth one tions in McLean for many years. time was a primary fundraiser for She was a very gifted seamstress and the Texas Paralyzed Veterans Association, and also did fundraising for ters. She also loved to quilt, crochet, many Lions Clubs. She was a charter garden and work jigsaw puzzles, but member of the High Plains Lightwhat she loved most was her family house for the Blind, and was a board member of the Texas Counsel for the

She was preceded in death by 1966. She worked at various places, her parents; her daughter Kendra

She is survived by a son, Rex 1982, and divorced him in 2007, Johnson of Clarendon; two daughters, Kristy Brandon of Amarillo and The family would like to thank Ruthy Wright of Alma, Arkansas; BSA Hospice of the Southwest for seven grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

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> > 7:59 a.m. - EMS assist

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Sheriff's Report

June 22, 2020 2:33 p.m. - See caller 200 block Billy Drive

yard 100 block N Goodnight 2:27 p.m. - Report of female laying in ditch near Co Rd CC block Olita 7:19 p.m. - EMS assist 400 block N Memphis 7:55 p.m. - EMS assist 500 block E 5th 10:08 p.m. - Report of electrical line sparking 600 block N Johnson June 23, 2020 3:22 a.m. - EMS assist 400 block McDougal 5:57 a.m. - Noise complaint 200 block McClelland in alley 11:52 a.m. - See caller Greenbelt Lake Marina 2:14 p.m. - EMS assist 1000 block S Gorst 2:25 p.m. - Commercial burglar alarm 600 block Harrington

of 84. Grave side services will be held at 11:30 am on Thursday, July 2, 2020, at Citizens

June 24, 2020 5:57 p.m. - EMS assist mm 119 I-40

June 25, 2020 5:46 a.m. - Noise complaint 200 block McClelland in alley 7:18 a.m. - EMS assist 200 block Francklyn in Howardwick 4:27 p.m. - Report of RV on highway lost 2 tires near mm 190 10:10 p.m. - Report of stolen block West 6th vehicle from Hall County 11:19 p.m. - One subject in custody

June 26, 2020 1:30 a.m. - See caller 200 block S goodnight 6:46 a.m. - EMS assist 600

fire FM 2162 June 27, 2020 12:00 a.m. - EMS assist Clarendon Nursing Home 12:23 a.m. - Commercial burglar alarm 300 block W 2nd 3:16 p.m. - Units paged grass fires Koogle 3:32 p.m. - Report of dog bite -Greenbelt Lake 4:38 p.m. - EMS assist - Greenbelt Lake 7:13 p.m. - EMS assist 500 block W 3rd Hedley 9:32 p.m. - EMS assist FM 2162 11:21 p.m. - Report of prowler 500 block W 4th June 28, 2020 3:00 a.m. - Welfare check 500 block S parks 5:53 a.m. - Report of suspicious vehicle 2600 block HWY 287 6:12 a.m. - Report of red light flashing on apartment 500 block s Goodnight 7:42 p.m. - EMS assist 500 9:28 p.m. - Report of vehicle under fence HWY 70 N 9:43 p.m. - Report of people shooting fireworks towards house 100 block Martindale 10:38 p.m. - Reports of people

shooting fireworks 6th and Jefferson Area

FIREWORKS are often used to mark special events and holidays. The only safe way to view fireworks is to attend a professional show. With many professional firework shows being canceled this year, it is important to know that **fireworks are not safe** in the hands of consumers. Fireworks cause thousands of injuries each year.

A few ideas to get into the patriotic spirit, without fireworks:

- **1.** Use glow sticks, they glow in the dark and are a safe alternative to a sparkler. Fun for all ages.
- 2. Loud and proud. Noise makers are sure to make a statement. They can be found at local party supply stores or make your own.
- **3.** Outdoor movie night. Set up a screen and projector. Don't forget the bugspray!
- **4.** Red, white and blue silly string...fun for all ages.
- 5. Make a patriotic craft with the family.

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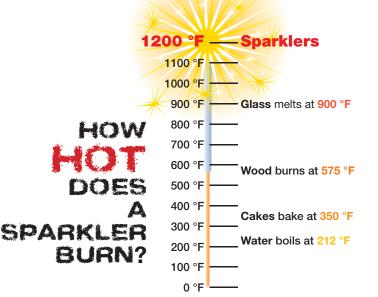
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6. Throw a birthday party for the USA, and don't forget the cake.



with more than one-third (36%) of the victims of fireworks injuries under age 15. (!) Sparklers account for roughly one-quarter of emergency room fireworks injuries.

Source: U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) 2018 Fireworks Annual Report

FACTS

(!) More than 19,500 reported fires

Burns account for 44% of

month around July 4.

(!) Half of the fireworks injuries

other parts of the head.

(!) Children ages 10–14 had the

the 9,100 injuries treated in

emergency rooms seen in the

seen at emergency rooms were

extremities: hand, finger, or leg.

One-third were to the eye or

highest rate of fireworks injury,

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Donley County Social Hour 12

The twelfth edition of the Donley County Social Hour was held last Thursday with County Attorney Landon Lambert and Editor Roger Estlack discussion the upcoming Saints' Roost Celebration with County Agent Leonard Haynes over speaker phone. This week's episode will feature another special guest leading up to the celebration and will stream live at Facebook.com/TheEnterprise at 5:30

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"other" entry. From those first place winners, judges will select a Grand Prize winner who will receive an additional \$250.

Pre-registration and adherence to the theme is required for entrants to be judged for the prize money, and entry forms are due in the Visitor Center by 5 p.m. on July 1. Parade winners will be announced at 1 p.m.

The Al Morrah Shrine Club barbecue will be set up on the west side of the Courthouse square this year instead of the traditional location on the east side as plans call for spreading booths and activities over the entire square. The Shriners are also making plans for curbside pickup of barbecue plates on Jefferson Street for senior citizens and others who prefer to avoid the crowd on the Fourth.

Tickets will be \$15 per plate, and food will be served to-go style starting about 11 a.m. or as soon as the parade is over. Advanced tickets are available at the Enterprise or may be purchased on the square July Fourth.

Henson's Turtle Race will take place at 1:30 p.m. And the Ranch Rodeo will close out the day Saturday night at the COEA Arena beginning at 7:30.





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SAFETY TIPS

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
-))) Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- W Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- >>>> Never leave your grill unattended.
- M Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.

CHARCOAL GRILLS

-))) There are several ways to get the charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel.
-))) If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
-))) Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
-))) There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use
- When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.



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If the flame **goes out**, turn the grill and gas off and wait at least **5 minutes** before re-lighting it.

FACTS

🕕 July is the peak month for grill fires. Roughly half of the injuries involving grills llinnill are thermal burns,

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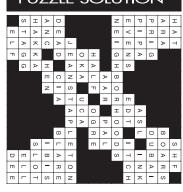
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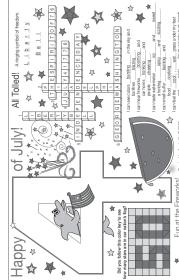
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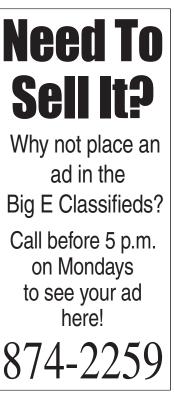


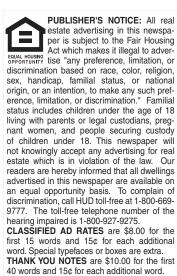
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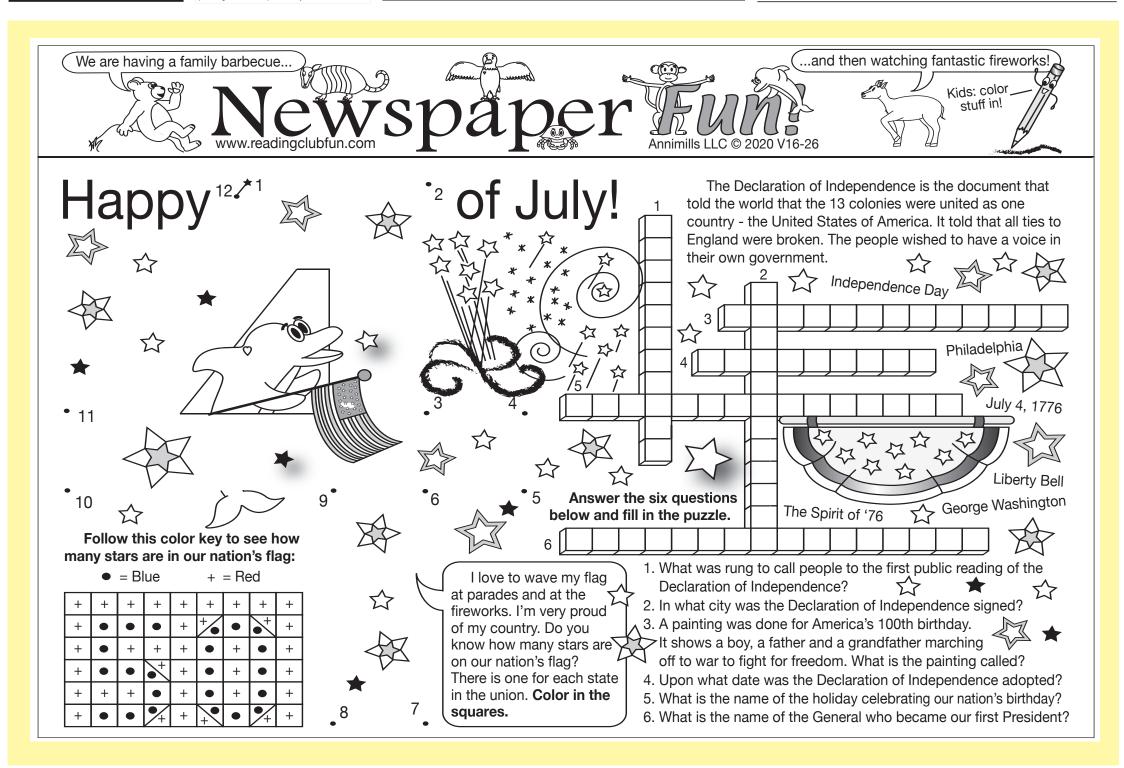
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