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COVID-19 Coronavirus in DONLEY COUNTY	
TESTS CONDUCTED LOCALLY AT CLARENDON FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER	
TOTAL TESTS (at local clinic)	224
PENDING	4
NEGATIVE	183
CONFIRMED (at local clinic)	37
TESTS CONDUCTED OUT OF COUNTY	
CONFIRMED (at other facilities)	14
TESTS CONDUCTED BY NAT'L GUARD	
CONFIRMED	2
SOURCE: DONLEY COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE	
TOTAL CONFIRMED DONLEY CO. CASES	53
AS PATIENTS OF LOCAL CLINIC	
ACTIVE CASES	1
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Bronco fans urged to buy tickets early

Clarendon CISD announced last week that tickets for the 2020 Bronco football home games season will be available each week prior to the game in order to cut down on congestion at the ticket booths and allow quicker access into the stadium.

In order to comply with the 50 percent capacity mandate, tickets for Bronco fans will be limited to 500 tickets and visitors will be allotted 300 tickets. CCISD is pursuing an online option for ticket sales for future home games. Ticket prices as set by the District 4-2A District Executive Committee are: Adults: \$5 and Students: \$3.

Tickets will go on sale beginning at 9:00 a.m. on the Monday before the scheduled game and will be sold until 12:00 p.m. on Thursday of that week. Tickets may be purchased from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday- Wednesday and 9:00 a.m. to noon on Thursday the week of the game at the Administration office located at 416 S. Allen Street.

A limited number of remaining tickets will be sold at the ticket booth located at the main entrance of Bronco Stadium. Fans purchasing tickets on the day of the game are encouraged to have exact change for their tickets. Please have exact change for ticket purchases at Bronco Stadium.

VFW cancels two annual activities

The Donley County VFW Post and Auxiliary regret that the annual 911 Luncheon will not be held this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The organizations say they know how dedicated to helping others local first responders are, and they say "thank you" to each one who willingly serves in dangerous situations.

The Post has also decided to forego the VFW Food Booth at the Chuckwagon Cookoff. They hope both events can be resumed next year. The post and auxiliary appreciate America's first responders, military personnel, and veterans and proudly proclaim "God bless America."

St. Mary's planning fish fry next Friday

St. Mary's Catholic Church will hold a drive-through Fish Fry on Friday, September 11, from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. at 801 S. McClelland. The take-out meals will be available for \$12 with fried fish, hushpuppies, cole slaw, potato salad, and peach cobbler.

City adds two years to administrator's contract

The Clarendon City Council extended the contract of City Administrator David Dockery through 2023 during their regular meeting August 27.

Aldermen met in closed session to evaluate Dockery's performance before taking action in open session.

Mayor Sandy Skelton announced that Dockery had

received a perfect score on his evaluation and said for him to score any higher, the city would have to adopt a new rating system.

The council then voted unanimously to extend his contract by two years to 2023 and give him a four percent raise.

Council members praised Dockery, and the administrator

returned the praise and appreciation.

"My success is because of the success of the city council and the staff," Dockery said and noted that he is honored to work for the City of Clarendon.

Dockery has served the city since 2015.

In other city business, aldermen took action to declare four properties

as public nuisances – 1001 W. Third, 902 E. Third, 1104 E. Third, and 812 E. Second. A fifth property on the agenda for action was not declared as a nuisance because the situation had already been abated by the time the council met.

City officials said four properties that had been declared as nuisances earlier this summer have all

now been taken care of – two by the owners and two by the city at the expense of the owner.

Dockery also gave his administrator's report on the USDA project, which he said is coming along; the water recreation project, which should be largely completed in September; the sanitation service agreement; and the budget.



Howardwick residents Dusty and Nikki Green's PBS series will launch its fourth season this fall.

COURTESY PHOTO

TFTR season four to air this fall

From shark cage diving in South Africa, to swimming with pigs in the Bahamas, to exploring Buddhist caves along the legendary Mekong River in Laos, traveling Donley County residents Nikki and Dusty Green are off on another action-packed adventure around the world. And once again, you're cordially invited to come along. But this time, they say, it's going to be a little different.

As much of the travel world remains under lockdown in the face of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Greens and their grass-roots-to-riches travel show "Two for the Road" are back for a thrilling fourth season, featuring all new episodes that will begin premiering on public television stations around the country beginning October 1st. And the timing, they say, couldn't be better.

"We're incredibly excited to get the new season out there of course, but especially now, given all that's happening in our world," said Dusty. "Not just because we could all certainly use a feel-good escape from our day-to-day, but it's also important to keep in mind that there's still this big, beautiful world out there. Life is still happening. Travel will come back. And it's a great time to remind folks of all that."

And in their engaging new episodes (all of which were filmed before the pandemic took hold) the Greens are taking viewers around the world once again. Over the course of six new half-hour shows, Nik and Dusty dive into a wide variety of spectacular destinations and fascinating cultures spanning three continents. And yes, the Greens say there are certainly plenty of thrills and adventure in the offing in the

new season, but loyal viewers especially will notice a few major differences from seasons past. One of them, they say, is a greater focus on storytelling.

"There's plenty of adventure for sure," said Nik, who also takes a terrifying leap off the world's largest swing later in the season. "But this season we really tried harder to focus on improving our storytelling, so that it's not just adrenaline and go-go-go all the time. In every episode there are at least one or two really great stories that are really touching. Stories that really helped us as travelers really connect to these places and the people and these cultures. And we want our viewers to be able to feel that connection for themselves."

A few of her favorites, Nik says: a story about Namibia's legendary Himba tribe, and how their culture is disappearing amidst an historic drought. The story about the tradition of Boo Boo Hill in the Bahamas. The street artists who are bringing new life and color to South Africa's cities. And the Buddhist ritual of morning alms giving in Luang Prabang. Overall the Greens say look for a softer, more organic "Two for the Road" this year.

"We love the adventure part of it all, of course," said Nik. "But what we really love the most about travel is the connections we make with the people we meet along the way. And hearing their stories. And learning about their cultures. It's really uplifting, and really beautiful. And we want to share more of that with everybody."

And a big part of what helps them connect with locals around the world, they say, is the fact that they actually shoot the program themselves, without the need of a tradi-

tional TV production crew. Which they say not only makes their show incredibly unique, but gives their show a grounded, real-world style of storytelling that is more organic and more authentic.

"We don't have a director and a field producer and a sound person and all that," said Dusty. "It's just the two of us, shooting the show entirely on the fly and entirely in the moment. It's completely experiential. We don't rehearse or script anything or know what might happen on any given day. Which makes it a tremendous challenge of course. But at the same time, because we look like a couple of regular tourists, we can blend into a place extremely well and not damage the authenticity of a scene or an interview with the kind of attention that a big TV crew can bring. So it's all very real, and all very heartfelt."

And season four represents another milestone for the Greens, whose dream of traveling the world and producing Two for the Road was born in 2007, when at the age of 35 the couple quit their jobs, sold all their possessions and decided to hit the road on a one-way ticket to South America, cameras in hand. In the years since the couple has traveled to roughly 50 countries across six continents, they've been nominated for three Lone Star Emmy awards, and they have a growing nationwide audience on public television. And it is today, just as it's always been: just the two of them.

In addition to filming the show themselves, the couple also writes, edits, produces and markets the show from their home in the tiny hamlet of Howardwick, Texas, in the Texas Panhandle, where they were both born and raised. New York City is 1684 miles from

Howardwick. Los Angeles is 1137 miles. And Howardwick's population? 402. Plus or minus a few, they say. But the Greens say living out on the Texas plains not only helps keep them connected to their families (and the show is very much a family affair – the Greens actually credit their cat Willie Nelson as an associate producer at the end of each show), it also allows them to approach travel - and television production - from a unique perspective.

"I think it's safe to say like a lot of folks in middle America especially we weren't taught a great deal about other countries growing up," said Dusty. "And very few of us have the means and/or the time to be able to travel the world. So I think it's great to be able to share these fascinating and beautiful places and cultures through the wide eyes of a couple of small-town folks. We hope it's relatable. And we hope that as we learn more about the world through our travels, that others do too. We think of what we do as both a privilege and a responsibility. And we take that very seriously."

Having said that though, the Greens are already in pre-production for Two for the Road season five, which will be shot entirely here in the United States - a first for the show. A decision that they say was only partly dictated by the ongoing COVID pandemic and related travel restrictions.

"We'd actually been wanting to do a season of entirely domestic shows because there are truly so many incredible places to see and things to do right here in our own backyard," said Nik. "We'd been thinking about that for season six, so COVID really just forced that to happen sooner than it might have

See 'TFTR' on page 8.

Lions Club plans 5K for Oct. 3

Registration is now open for the eighth annual Chance Mark Jones Roar & Run 5K, which will be held Saturday, October 3, in downtown Clarendon.

The Clarendon Lions Club is hosting the event to raise awareness of Child Abuse. The event is usually held in April but was postponed this year due to COVID-19.

Those interested in running or walking the 5K (about 3.1 miles) are encouraged to sign up before September 25 to take advantage of the early bird discount. Registration costs \$25, but those who sign up early save \$5. Signing up by September 25 also guarantees participants the official 5K t-shirt.

The year's race will start and end at the new Clarendon Aquatic Center. The race will begin at 1:30 p.m. Race registrations are available at the Clarendon Visitor Center at the Mulkey Theatre, at the Enterprise, or online at <https://bit.ly/32tPXcL>.

For more information, contact Lion Ashlee Estlack at 806-662-4687 or Lion Roger Estlack at 806-874-2259.

Court gives murderer 'next best thing' to hell

A Memphis man was sentenced to just under a century in prison last Wednesday, August 26, for causing the death of his five-week-old son.

District Attorney Luke Inman, along with Assistant District Attorney Harley Caudle, prosecuted the case for the State of Texas, with the Honorable Judge Stuart Messer presiding.

"Since we couldn't send him to hell, 99 years in the Texas prison system is the next best thing," Caudle said.

Chaz Edward Dean Carney, 23, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 99 years in the penitentiary for the murder. The offense, a first degree felony, occurred on November 7, 2019.

Carney was arrested within days of the crime, due largely in part to an extensive investigation conducted by the Texas Rangers and Hall County Sheriff's Office.

"We were fortunate to have experienced Texas Rangers like Bo Brown, Wayne Buxton and Mike Smith come in immediately and assist Sheriff Tom Heck and the other Hall County deputies in the investigation of a young child's

See 'Murder' on page 8.

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Farewell for a while...

Few emotional swings reach from the highest high to lowest low in a period of 60 hours. My wife Brenda and I celebrated our 54th wedding anniversary on August 12. Three days later, our oldest daughter, Julie Choate, succumbed to a pulmonary embolism.

In a two-hour period, efforts to revive her failed; her airlift to a Fort Worth hospital was for naught.

She was 50, exuberant, optimistic, hard-working and a champion of the under-dog, spending most waking hours as principal at McCall Elementary School in Aledo. She and her school team were set to take on many uncertainties, most of which involved COVID-19. They were determined to take on the new school year with flexibility and resolve, challenged to make each day better than the one before....



the idle american

by don newbury

Unashamedly Christian, she “wore her heart on her sleeve,” one colleague said at her August 22 memorial service. It was held at Christ Chapel Bible Church in Fort Worth where one of the Metroplex’s largest auditoriums made seating possible (social distancing observed) for 625. Many times that number are believed to have seen livestreaming, including Christians in India benefiting from Far Corners Missions. Bryan, Julie’s husband of 27 years, joined the ministry in 2018.

They’ve planted a Julie Choate memorial flower garden in India. We’ll be forever grateful for the wording on the plaque: “...A beloved daughter of the Most High, a beacon of light, and the fragrance of the grace of Christ.”

Julie was BIG on grace – both extending it and claiming it. She strongly believed that grace changes things....

Though she insisted on laughter – mostly at her expense – she knew there are times when tears are every bit as important. Triumphant moments – as well as pratfalls – were revisited by clergy, colleagues and friends. Soon after knee surgery a couple of years back, she tripped over a curb as she walked to her office. Immediately, she pulled the segment from the security video, then shared it with her McCall team. It showed her going to the ground with her laptop, purse and soft drink, sprawling on the ground with an arm extended to show she’d saved the drink.

Regularly taking food, furniture and more to the less fortunate, she once arranged for board members and fellow administrators to see first-hand where underprivileged lived.

She strongly believed that the ground at the foot of the cross is exceedingly level, and hers was an unending effort to help everyone feel that there is good in them, and that she’d help them find it....

An accomplished pianist, she was ready to play when music was needed. More importantly, her life was a melody of optimism. (Indeed, her children, 19-year-old Benjamin and 16-year-old Brittin, continue a musical legacy, and they sang a duet via video at the service.)

Words from deep in hearts comforted. Parents never tire of hearing such comments. We silently questioned “why?,” knowing that we’ll never know this side of eternity.

While spoken words were valued, so were messages written in chalk on her school’s sidewalks. Dozens of students made their way to say good-bye. “We miss you, Mrs. Choate,” and similar sentiments, made us weep when we visited McCall Elementary School a few hours after the service....

Colleagues said this champion educator “taught us to live joyfully.”

We rejoice that she lived out her faith in service, and that we’ll see her again up the way.

A friend who has attended more than a thousand funeral services and officiated at several hundred said it was the most spiritually meaningful funeral service he has ever attended. That’s strong praise....

A dozen years ago, I attended the funeral of a friend’s father. At the end of the service, “I’ll Be Seeing You” – one of the deceased’s favorite secular songs – was sung. Congregational tears flowed when lyrics reached “I’ll be looking at the moon, but I’ll be seeing you.”

When I glance skyward at the moon and stars accenting the night, I’ll think the same thing. In dreams, I’ll assure her that the service included many stories that made us smile. I’ll also apologize for my answer to an unidentified woman who said, “Julie looked much like you.” I answered, “We bought identical masks at the same store on the same day.” I’ll also tell her that the groceries left in her car trunk for hungry families have been delivered, and that her mom and I – her sisters Jana and Jeanie and all family members – miss her greatly.

For consolation, we’ll pull out one of her many messaged t-shirts. Maybe we’ll start with one reminiscent of her incurable optimism: “I’m fine. It’s fine. Everything is fine.”...

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He’s a ‘top ten’ kind of runner

Running is like breathing to Dave Dial, who lives on the family ranch near the community of Grovetown, just outside of Crockett. In terms of lifetime running distance, Dave ranks number 9 and is moving up. He has run more than 203,000 miles. The top runner in lifetime miles is 85 years old and lives in California. He has run over 300,000 miles.

I had no idea there was even a running category for lifetime miles, nor did I know there was a ranking among the top 10. Only 10 people in the US have run more than 200,000 miles. Dave has been running since he was 5 and started keeping records at age 16 after getting acquainted with Running Magazine. He runs twice a day: 10 miles in the morning, 8 miles in the afternoon. He has not missed a day of running in 13 years and has the records to prove it. He keeps a notebook of his miles and puts down time, temperature, where he runs and how long it takes to run a mile.

“I usually run a mile in 7 or 8 minutes,” says Dave. “In the morning

that takes me about an hour and 15 minutes. The afternoon run takes just over an hour.”



stories of texas

by tumbleweed smith

Although Dave gave away all his trophies and ribbons there is one record he is proud of. In his earlier days, he entered the Boston Marathon.

“When I was 19 I set a record that still stands for the junior class. That’s for runners 20 years old and under. I ran it in 2 hours, 24 minutes and 18 seconds. That’s averaging 5 and a half minutes per mile for 26.2 miles.”

Dave turned 60 this summer. He weighs 130 pounds and stands just under 6 feet. He has planned his running schedule based on previous years. When he was 38 in 1998 he reached his first 100,000 miles. Here it is 22 years later

and he has added another 100,000 plus miles. At that rate he’ll reach 300,000 miles at the age of 82, He says he doesn’t feel his age.

Skechers Sport Shoes provides running footwear for Dave. Prior to reaching his 200,000-mile mark Skechers made him a special pair of shoes with the number 200,000 on them. He was wearing them when he reached that milestone.

“I was really kind of depressed after that because that had been my goal for such a long time. So I thought I would reward myself. I bought myself some ice cream, something I hadn’t tasted in 40 years.”

Dave was a math major at Lamar University in Beaumont, then went into actuarial consulting and later coached track. He writes Haiku poetry because he likes the math required (5 syllables, 7 syllables, 5 syllables). He created this while running:

I seek shade-cloaked roads
To fill them mile after mile
With summer’s footfalls.



US, Canada trade barriers still exist

By Maryscott Greenwood

The US-Canada border will remain closed for non-essential travel until at least September 21. President Trump and Prime Minister Trudeau mutually agreed to seal the world’s longest non-militarized border back in March to slow the spread of COVID-19.

But while cross-border road trips and shopping excursions have come to a halt, commerce has continued as usual. That’s a good thing -- Canada is one of our most important trading partners.

Now more than ever, we must strengthen this relationship and eliminate the existing regulatory barriers that keep American businesses from fully accessing Canada’s market and vice versa. Expanding this trade is critical in helping both nations weather the unprecedented economic strain caused by COVID-19.

In 2018 alone, the US and Canada exchanged more than \$718 billion in goods and services. Canadians import more goods from the United States than from anywhere else in the world. Americans rely on our northern neighbors for essential goods like fuel and food products.

This already-strong trade relationship was reinforced by the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA),

which went into effect earlier this summer. The agreement includes provisions aimed at improving agriculture, e-commerce, and small-business trade.

But several significant barriers remain.

For instance, the USMCA was intended to expand American farmers’ access to the Canadian dairy market. Yet just as the trade deal went into effect, Canada increased restrictions that limit US cheese and butter imports. The American dairy industry is concerned that Canada may also limit access to Canada’s skim milk market.

Or consider the Patented Medicine Prices Review Board (PMPRB), a government body that regulates maximum drug prices in Canada, regardless of whether the government pays for them. PMPRB does not rely on competitive markets or a medicine’s actual value when making its decisions, but rather relies on the prices in other countries that themselves often fail to recognize the value of innovation. This so-called reference pricing devalues innovative medicines, including those that come from the United States.

USMCA did not seek to address chronic devaluation of US medicines in Canada, and now the PMPRB is poised

to adopt new sweeping regulations in January 2021 which will exacerbate the problem.

One of the new rules would eliminate the US from the group of seven comparator countries PMPRB uses to set drug prices. Removing the United States -- one of the only nations that relies on market-forces to incentivize innovation and access -- from this group of comparator countries will have the unintended effect of devaluing US innovation.

It takes \$2.6 billion on average to bring just one new drug to market. What innovative manufacturer will launch its product in a market the size of Canada knowing that there is little hope for return on its investment?

This is not just speculation. The evidence shows that Canadian patients are already paying the price of PMPRB’s new proposal. At least seven drug launches have been delayed in Canada since August 2019.

The US-Canada trading relationship is the envy of the world. But it’s not perfect. It is imperative that our North American neighborhood works in cooperation so that we emerge from the current pandemic poised to build the economy of the future. Maryscott Greenwood is the CEO of the Canadian American Business Council.

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Labor Day
September 4
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September 11
Broncos v Bovina • 7:00 p.m. • Away
September 11
St. Mary's Fish Fry • 5:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
September 18
Broncos v Hale Center • 7:00 p.m. • Home • Homecoming

Menus

Sept. 7 - 11
Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Holiday
Tue: Chicken tenders, baked potatoes w/sour cream, peas & carrots, strawberries w/whip cream, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Chicken fajitas, fajita vegetables, chuckwagon corn, Spanish rice, flour tortilla, fruit cocktail, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Roast beef, baked potato w/ sour cream, roll, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Sloppy Joe on bun, country potato salad, carrots & zucchini, creamy fruit square, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD
Breakfast
Mon: No School
Tues: Sausage, egg, and cheese biscuit, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Wed: Breakfast pizza, ham, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Thu: Cinnamon roll, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Fri: Scrambled eggs, biscuit, gravy, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
Mon: No School
Tues: Nachos, salsa, beans, cucumbers, apricots, fruit, milk.
Wed: X-treme burrito, salsa, beans, veggie cup, fruity gelatin, fruit, milk.
Thu: Hamburger steak, brown gravy, biscuit, crunchy broccoli salad, mandarin oranges, fruit, milk.
Fri: Pizza, carrots, salad, fresh fruit, dessert, milk.

Hedley ISD
Breakfast
Mon: No School
Tues: Waffles, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Wed: Sausage pizza, hash browns, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Thu: Cinnamon roll, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Fri: Sausage, egg, & cheese biscuit, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
Mon: No School
Tues: Chicken tenders, sweet potato fries, gravy, broccoli cup, corn, watermelon, cookie, fruit, milk.
Wed: Bean & cheese burrito with queso, garden salad, corn, apple sauce, fruit, milk.
Thu: Chicken spaghetti, breadsticks, carrot coins, garden salad, peaches, fruit, milk.
Fri: BBQ on a bun, fries, green beans, pears, sherbet, fruit, milk.

Howardwick applies for grant

Alderman Jerry Mulanax has applied for a grant from the Panhandle Regional Planning Commission to help repair our roads. This is from the Texas Community Development Fund from the Texas Development Block Grant program through the Texas Department of Agriculture. If we are successful in obtaining this \$350,000 grant, can you imagine what our roads could look like? They are asking every permanent resident to answer a survey as a Neighborhood Watch Captain knocks on your door.

The PRPC is helping with the application; and when we receive

the money, the PRPC will be in charge of the work. Please answer the survey. No names will be used, and it will not be shared with anyone.

The survey must be completed in order for us to be considered for the grant. There will be matching funds of about \$12,000. If necessary, we can-do fund-raising projects. I am excited about this project, it will be



'wick picks
by peggy cockerham
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wonderful to not hear, "Oh, Howardwick, your roads are awful." If you are a permanent resident, please answer your door.

Saturday, Ole Jim was looking at the back yard and said, "We need rain back here." The good Lord heard him and sent us 1.25 inches of rain. The Lord blesses us sometimes. We have to say thank you.

I pray for the teachers, custodians, food workers, bus drivers, and everyone who is educating our children. I pray for those parents and grandparents who made the decision to educate at home. Stay safe, wear your mask and wash your hands.

Wonderful world of Minecraft

Recently with the COVID 19 situation I've been spending a lot more time at home, and I have been working on my Minecraft world for a couple of months. I figured I would talk about the progress I've made on the world.

When I first started, we only had a couple of mines and a house, but now that I've been playing a lot more, I decided it was finally time to build some cool stuff. To start with, I built a couple of xp farms for me to use with my cousins, and then I started working on one of my biggest transformations I've ever done. I started to build a mountain range just

in the distance from my house.

Why am I building these, you may be thinking? Well, the reason I was building them was because I thought they would look cool. Plus, I can build my main base in with the mountains to a lodge. I started building some ideas, and one was amazing so I started building and planning it. After a little bit in the game, I got the frame built up and



the cub reporter
by benjamin estlack

Neighboring producers face January deadline

Childress and Hall County US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) Executive Director Kathy Williams reminds livestock producers who suffered grazing losses that occurred throughout 2020 due to drought to report their losses timely and to enroll in the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP) by Jan. 30, 2020.

LFP provides compensation to eligible livestock producers who suffered grazing losses for covered livestock due to drought on privately-owned or cash-leased land or fire on federally-managed land. Producers in Childress and Hall County are eligible to apply for 2020 LFP benefits on native pasture, improved

pasture, annual ryegrass or forage sorghum. Livestock producers are encouraged to contact the Childress or Hall County FSA Office with any questions regarding specific forage crops that are eligible.

"Prolonged drought conditions have created a need for livestock disaster assistance programs in Childress and Hall County," said Williams. "I encourage all affected livestock producers to contact the Childress or Hall County FSA Office to schedule an appointment to enroll in the program before the Jan. 30 deadline."

Livestock producers must complete the LFP application and required supporting documenta-

tion no later than Jan. 30, 2021, for losses that occurred throughout 2020. Producers who already have appointments scheduled require no additional action to meet the deadline.

Eligible livestock includes alpacas, beef cattle, buffalo, beefalo, dairy cattle, deer, elk, emus, equine, goats, llamas, poultry, reindeer, sheep or swine that have been or would have been grazing the eligible grazing land or pastureland.

Visit www.usda.gov/disaster to learn more about FSA disaster assistance programs or contact the Childress County FSA office at 940-937-8624 or Hall County FSA Office at 806-259-9579.

Abbott announces extension of SNAP benefits

AUSTIN - Governor Greg Abbott has announced the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will provide approximately \$188 million in emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits for the month of September as Texas continues to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.

"Texas will continue to ensure access to nutritious meals as we mitigate the spread of COVID-19," said Governor Abbott. "This emergency SNAP extension will help Texans provide healthy food for their fami-

lies."

"As families return to school, this extension helps Texans purchase healthy, nutritious foods for their households," said Texas HHS Access and Eligibility Services Deputy Executive Commissioner Wayne Salter.

More than 972,000 SNAP households will see the additional amount on their Lone Star Card by September 15. The emergency September allotments are in addition to the more than \$1 billion in benefits previously provided to Texans between April and August. HHSC

received federal approval from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to extend the maximum, allowable amount of SNAP benefits to recipients based on family size.

Administered by HHSC, SNAP is a federal program that provides food assistance to approximately 1.4 million eligible low-income families and individuals in Texas.

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Hegar addresses state budget outlook at virtual TAC conference

AUSTIN – The Texas Association of Counties' 2020 Legislative Conference opened Wednesday afternoon with Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar discussing the revenue and economic effects of COVID-19 on state and county governments. The unforeseen challenge that the pandemic has put before Texas is the transformation of "a multibillion-dollar revenue cushion into a multibillion-dollar shortfall," Hegar told county officials by video conferencing.

Because of COVID-19, the Texas Association of Counties (TAC) took this year's Legislative Conference online, turning the annual gathering into a virtual event that attracted more than 1,000 registrations, a record. The annual conference provides a forum for county officials, who have played a leading role in responding to COVID-19, to talk through legislative issues affecting their constituents. This year's conference also looks ahead to the 87th session of the Texas Legislature.

The economic slowdown

caused by the pandemic and low oil and gas prices has sharply reduced the state's revenue collections and left legislators anticipating a budget crisis when they convene in January. In July, Hegar issued a revised revenue estimate projecting a \$4.6 billion deficit when the current two-year budget cycle ends in August 2021; he originally had projected a \$2.9 billion surplus. He will provide a revenue estimate for the 2022-23 biennium before the Legislature convenes in January.

A primary difficulty with forecasting COVID-19's economic impact is its "course and repercussions can't be confidently predicted," Hegar said. But "difficulties don't amount to excuses" for state and local leaders, who must navigate the uncertain course before them, the comptroller added.

Hegar said that as his family, like many Texas families, has negotiated the uncertainties surrounding the new school year, he's told his three children, "In 2020, one of the words is 'flexibility.' Another is 'adaptability.'" They're words worth

keeping in mind as the state gets closer to next year's session, he said.

Hegar said he expects the rainy day fund to end fiscal 2021 with an \$8.8 billion balance. "Frankly, the rainy day fund was designed for purposes just like this," Hegar said of the emergency account formally known as the Economic Stabilization Fund.

The TAC Legislative Conference continues Thursday and Friday. Sessions include discussions of mental health resources available to Texas counties, law enforcement's response to COVID-19, the requirements of Senate Bill 2 during the pandemic, preparations for November's general election, and the 2020 Census and redistricting.

Scheduled panelists include state Rep. Garnet Coleman, D-Houston; state Rep. Jeff Leach, R-Plano; state Rep. Geanie Morrison, R-Victoria; and state Sen. Lois Kolkhorst, R-Brenham.

For more information about the conference, visit the Texas Association of Counties' website.

HHSC's Healthy Texas Women program launches enhanced postpartum care

AUSTIN – The Texas Health and Human Services Commission announced today the launch of an enhanced postpartum care services package for eligible women enrolled in Healthy Texas Women, called HTW Plus. Beginning September 1, approximately 90,000 Healthy Texas Women clients will automatically receive this new postpartum care coverage for up to 12 months.

"Routine and timely postpartum care is critical in improving the overall health of mothers and babies in Texas," said Michelle Alletto, Texas HHS chief program and services officer. "Improving and enhancing these services further ensures continuity of care to women at all stages of life."

In addition to the array of core women's health and family planning services offered by the Healthy Texas Women program, HTW Plus provides physical health, mental health, and substance use disorder services that address asthma, diabetes, hypertension, certain cardiovascular conditions, perinatal mood and anxiety disorders including postpartum depression, and substance use disorders including drug, alcohol, and tobacco use.

"Maternal mortality is an important issue for all Texans, and that's why I authored and passed Senate Bill 750 with bipartisan support," said State Sen. Lois W. Kolkhorst, chair of the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services. "Our state will provide these

targeted treatments, such as mental health, diabetes, asthma, addiction, and heart disease, so that we can directly improve our state's maternal mortality rate and keep every Texas woman safe."

Covered services include:

Cardiovascular imaging and laboratory studies, blood pressure monitoring equipment, and antihypertensive, anticoagulant, and antiplatelet medications;

Diabetes management services including labs, additional injectable insulin options, blood glucose testing supplies, and voice-integrated glucometers for women with diabetes who are visually impaired;

Asthma medications and supplies;

Psychotherapy and peer specialist services for postpartum depression and other mental health conditions;

Screening, brief intervention, and referral to treatment (SBIRT); medication assisted treatment (MAT); and peer specialist services for the management of substance use disorders; and

Tobacco cessation drugs.

While all women in Healthy Texas Women have access to screening, diagnosis, and medication to treat postpartum depression, women with HTW Plus coverage will also be able to receive outpatient individual, family, and group psychotherapy services, as well as peer specialist services.

Approximately 90,000 post-

partum women enrolled in Healthy Texas Women on average each month will be covered by HTW Plus and have access to expanded postpartum care services for up to 12 months after the date of enrollment in the Healthy Texas Women program.

In 2019, Gov. Greg Abbott signed Senate Bill 750, which directed HHSC to evaluate postpartum care services provided to women enrolled in the Healthy Texas Women program after the first 60 days of the postpartum period, and develop a postpartum care services package for women enrolled in the Healthy Texas Women program.

HHSC contracted with The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler and The University of Texas System Population Health to conduct an evaluation of services used by women in the Medicaid for Pregnant Women program in comparison to the Healthy Texas Women program. Additionally, findings from the Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee informed the HTW Plus service package. The evaluation focused on services related to the major health conditions recognized as contributing to maternal morbidity and mortality in Texas – common cardiovascular conditions, substance use disorders, mental health conditions, and certain chronic health conditions.

HHSC will issue new HTW Plus pink cards and an updated information packet to eligible women.

Retired teachers to meet September 28

By Eddie Hankins

The officers of the Donley County Retired School Personnel Association met Friday, August 21, via Zoom. We met to discuss how to conduct our next scheduled meeting. We have not been able to meet in-person since January because of the pandemic.

In July, the Texas Retired

Teachers Association (TRTA) Board of Directors voted to impose a hold on all in-person meetings through the end of 2020. Therefore we of the DCRSPA, wanted to find a way to meet for our two fall meetings.

We plan to meet via Zoom on Monday, September 28, at 6:00 pm. All members will be contacted in September with an invitation to join

this meeting.

For more information and to those who have recently retired, you may contact Diane Skelton at 874-2303.

Those participating in this first meeting were: Jan Campbell, Rene Duncan, Gloria Gage, Gayle Hankins, Glenda Hawkins, and Diane Skelton.

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Jacyuavon Brown runs the ball for the Clarendon Bronco JV team last Thursday at home. The Broncos will take on Ralls at home next week.

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Broncos route Seymour; earn first win of season

By Sandy Anderberg

The Broncos turned 369 total yards into 45 points while gaining their first win of the season last Friday night against Seymour. The Broncos held the Panthers to 14 points.

Quarterback Brock Hatley was on fire and racked up 144 yards passing throwing touchdown strikes to Lamarus Peniger and Jmaury Davis. Peniger had two catches for 58 yards, and Davis caught two passes for 77 yards. Jordan Herndon two passes from Hatley as well.

While their passing game was spot-on, the Broncos' running game was sharp as well. The Broncos rushed for 225 yards finding the end zone five times. Peniger took it in for

six from close range, just five yards out, and Davis carried nine times for 55 yards and another touchdown.

Sophomore Sylvester Ballard nearly crossed the 100-yard mark with 96 yards on 10 carries and accounted for two Bronco scores and Antwan Bassett ran the ball nine times for 55 yards. Jordan Evans found the end zone from seven yards out, and Aaron Roys carried twice for seven yards. Rhett Caison saw some action from the back field as he carried twice for 20 yards, and Hatley scampered 14 yards on two carries.

The Bronco defense shined along with the offense against the Panthers and several players recorded tackles.

Ballard racked up 12, and Davis and Caison each had eight on the night.

"I thought the kids played well and it's always good to put a win in the books," head coach Clint Conkin said.

On Thursday night, the Bronco JV took on Wellington at home and fell short at 0-6. According to coach Yancy Molloy, the Broncos fought hard the entire game.

"It was a great defensive game, but our offense struggled to get anything going," Molloy said.

The Bronco varsity will take on Ralls at home on Friday, September 4, at 7:00 and the Bronco JV will travel to Ralls on Thursday, September 3.

Clarendon runners compete in Canyon

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon High School and Junior High cross-country runners ran in their first cross-country meet of the season at Canyon High School last Saturday.

Madi Smith led the way with a 13th-place finish in a time of 13:40, and Makenna Shadle had a time of 14:45. Aliyah Weatherston ran the course in a time of 15:44.93 for 45th place, and Finley Cunningham was 49th at 16:14.12. Aubrey Jaramillo turned in a time of 16:35.38 for 51st place, and Aleyah Weatherston posted a time of 17:09.

The Lady Colt A Team finished fourth as a team and was led by Presley Smith, who finished 12th with a time of 14:14.81. Kenidee Hayes finished 13th at 14:18.73, and Tandie Cummins was right behind Hayes in 14th place at 14:21.31.

Kimbrasia Ballard was 18th at 14:35.03, Madi Benson was 23rd at 14:57.62, and Kyndall Osburn was 26th with a time of 15:01.65. Berkeley Moore ran the course in a time of 15:07.87, Maloree Wann was 30th at 15:23.17, Gracie Clark was 34th at 15:53.11, and Whitney Williams ran 40th with a time of 16:24.31.

Gracie Wilkins topped the field on the B Team and finished third with a time of 15:41.61. Kashlyn Conkin was 4th at 15:44.03, Kennadie Cummins was 6th with a time of 15:50.30, and Hayden Elam was 11th with a time of 17:05.30. Elliot Frasuto was 12th at 17:06.66, Lauren Cenicerros was 19th with a time of 18:10.77, Mary Jo Dushay was 23rd at 18:47.40, Sidda Thomas was 29th at 19:19.59, Erin Wagner was 32nd at 19:46.84, and Riley Jantz was 33rd with a time of 19:54.82.

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Donley County Memorial Post
7782 Veterans of Foreign Wars. Meets first Tuesday at 7 p.m. 822-VETS.



Clarendon Lions Club Regular meeting each Tuesday at noon. Scarlet Estlack, Boss Lion. Roger Estlack, Secretary



Clarendon Alcoholics Anonymous Group 806-676-9416, 806-661-1015, 24 hour hotline 806-329-3088. Mon., Thurs., & Satur. 7 p.m. 416 S Kearney St.

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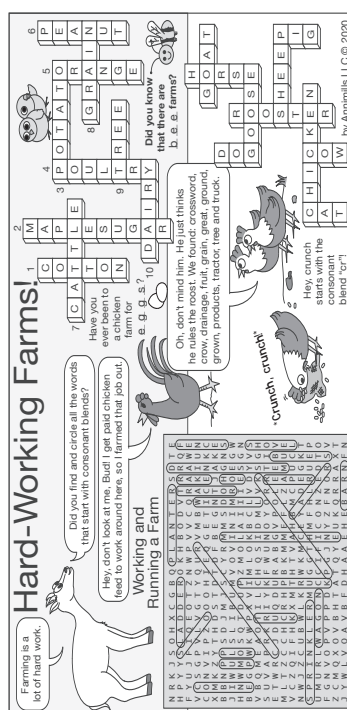
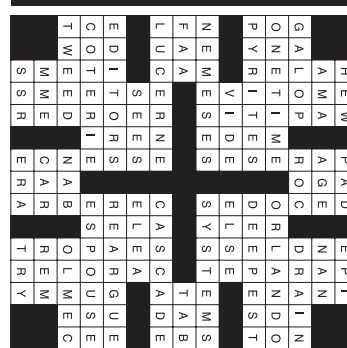
SMALL TAXING UNIT NOTICE

The Donley County Hospital District board of directors will hold a meeting at 6:00 p.m. on September 15, 2020 at 3 Medical Drive Clarendon Texas 79226 to consider adopting a proposed tax rate for tax year 2020. The proposed tax rate is 0.143 per \$100 of value.

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Farming is a lot of hard work. Farmers need to think about the condition of the soil, the weather, caring for plants or animals, harvesting, shipping and selling products at the market. The days are long! **Check out my two cool farm crossword puzzles.**

What's up, little chick?
Just enjoying the quiet... there are hundreds of peeping chicks in the incubator!

1. Lots of animals live on farms. Can you place the names of farm animals scattered in the puzzle above into the puzzle frame?

2. Read the clues below to fill in the crossword on the right with different kinds of farms.

- grown for clothing, bedding
- tap tree sap to make syrup, candy
- vegetable grown in the ground; has "eyes"
- turkey, chicken
- in warm areas, fruit, juice
- used for "butter," oils
- animals for beef
- wheat, corn, oats
- for yards, forests, Christmas
- cows, milk, cheese, butter

Every day we can crow about all the hard work our Moms and Dads do to keep our families running smoothly.

Can anyone see where Chitter is working?

Oh, it's a machine used in a field to cut wheat or corn.

Did you know that there are _____ farms?



Do you know what a "combine" is?

Hey, hay! Hey! You found me!

Can you find and circle 5 words that are spelled with "ee" and have the long "e," or "ee" sound?

Have you ever been to a chicken farm for _____?

g s
e g

Use the word list below if you get stuck!

dairy
cattle
orange
potato
grain
tree
maple
sugar
peanut
poultry
cotton

★ A **combine** also separates and gathers seeds from the plants!

Deadline approaching for USDA Food Assistance

WASHINGTON – US Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm Service Agency (FSA) reminds farmers and ranchers that the deadline to apply for the Coronavirus Food Assistance Program (CFAP) is Sept. 11, 2020. This program provides direct relief to producers who faced price declines and additional marketing costs due to COVID-19.

Over 160 commodities are eligible for CFAP, including certain non-specialty crops, livestock, dairy, wool, specialty crops, eggs, aquaculture, and nursery crops and cut flowers. All eligible commodities, payment rates, and calculations can be found on farmers.gov/cfap.

Customers seeking one-on-one support with the CFAP application process can call 877-508-8364 to speak directly with a USDA employee ready to offer general assistance. This is a recommended first step before a producer engages the team at the FSA county office at their local USDA Service Center.

Producers have several options for applying to the CFAP program by the Sept. 11 deadline:

Using an online portal, accessible at farmers.gov/cfap. This allows producers with secure USDA login

credentials, known as eAuthentication, to certify eligible commodities online, digitally sign applications, and submit directly to the local USDA Service Center.

Completing the application form using our CFAP Application Generator and Payment Calculator found at farmers.gov/cfap. This Excel workbook allows customers to input information specific to their operation to determine estimated payments and populate the application form, which can be printed, then signed, and submitted to their local USDA Service Center.

Downloading the AD-3114 application form from farmers.gov/cfap and manually completing the form to submit to the local USDA Service Center by mail, electronically, or by hand delivery to an office drop box. In some limited cases, the office may be open for in-person business by appointment. Visit farmers.gov/coronavirus/service-center-status to check the status of your local office.

USDA Service Centers can also work with producers to complete and securely transmit digitally signed applications through two commercially available tools: Box and One-

Span. Producers who are interested in digitally signing their applications should notify their local service centers when calling to discuss the CFAP application process. You can learn more about these solutions at farmers.gov/mydocs.

All other eligibility forms, such as those related to adjusted gross income and payment information, can be downloaded from farmers.gov/cfap/apply. For existing FSA customers, these documents are likely already on file.

All USDA Service Centers are open for business, including some that are open to visitors to conduct business in person by appointment only. All Service Center visitors wishing to conduct business with FSA, Natural Resources Conservation Service or any other Service Center agency should call ahead and schedule an appointment. Service Centers that are open for appointments will pre-screen visitors based on health concerns or recent travel, and visitors must adhere to social distancing guidelines. Visitors are also required to wear a face covering during their appointment. More information can be found at farmers.gov/coronavirus.

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otherwise. And that’s actually going to work out really well. We’re really excited! But right now season four is definitely the focus. And we can’t wait to get it out there.”

Two for the Road Season Four premieres on many public television stations beginning October 1, 2020. Contact your local public television station for airdates and times.

Murder:

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tragic death,” said Inman.

The Hall County Grand Jury indicted Carney for capital murder on December 18, 2019.

“The death of a child is something no parent should have to endure,” said Inman. “But killing your own child makes you a monster unworthy of ever having kids again, and that’s what this plea accomplished today.”

The victim’s mother still faces charges related to the infant’s death and is currently set for trial on October 19.

THINK BEFORE YOU REACT

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month, a reminder that every child deserves to feel safe at home and in his or her community.

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PROPOSED SALARY INCREASE

	2019-2020 SALARY	2020-2021 SALARY
COUNTY JUDGE	\$29,975.24	\$31,175.00
DISTRICT/COUNTY CLERK	\$29,975.24	\$31,175.00
TREASURER	\$29,975.24	\$31,175.00
TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR	\$29,975.24	\$31,175.00
COUNTY ATTORNEY	\$29,975.24	\$31,175.00
SHERIFF	\$41,002.24	\$50,000.00
CONSTABLE	\$14,559.00	\$ 15,141.00
JUSTICE OF PEACE 1&2	\$29,975.24	\$31,175.00
JUSTICE OF PEACE 3&4	\$29,975.24	\$31,175.00

DEADLINES

News & Photos Monday @ noon
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET FOR DONLEY COUNTY

A Public Hearing on the Donley County Proposed Budget will be held on September 14, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioner's Courtroom in the Donley County Courthouse.

This budget will raise more revenue from property taxes than last year's budget by an amount of \$70,332.00 which is 3.91 % increase from last year's budget.

The property tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year is \$11,203.00.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$ 0.62879 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of

DONLEY COUNTY.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.62879</u>	per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.612317</u>	per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$ <u>0.633247</u>	per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2020 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for DONLEY COUNTY from the same properties in both the 2019 tax year and the 2020 tax year.

The voter-approval rate is the highest tax rate that DONLEY COUNTY may adopt without holding an election to seek voter approval of the rate.

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that DONLEY COUNTY is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2020 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2020 9:00 A.M. at DONLEY COUNTY COURTHOUSE 300 S SULLY, CLARENDON, TEXAS.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, DONLEY COUNTY is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the DONLEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT of DONLEY COUNTY at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above.

YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE TAX RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

Property tax amount = (tax rate) x (taxable value of your property) / 100

(List names of all members of the governing body below, showing how each voted on the proposal to consider the tax increase or, if one or more were absent, indicating absences.)

FOR the proposal: Mark White, Dan Sawyer, Daniel Ford

AGAINST the proposal: NA

PRESENT and not voting: NA

ABSENT: Andy Wheatly

The 86th Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by DONLEY COUNTY last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by DONLEY COUNTY this year.

	2019	2020	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	2019 adopted tax rate	2020 proposed tax rate	(Increase/Decrease) of (nominal difference between tax rate for preceding year and proposed tax rate for current year) per \$100, or (percentage difference between tax rate for preceding year and proposed tax rate for current year)%
Average homestead taxable value	2019 average taxable value of residence homestead	2020 average taxable value of residence homestead	(Increase/Decrease) of (percentage difference between average taxable value of residence homestead for preceding year and current year)%
Tax on average homestead	2019 amount of taxes on average taxable value of residence homestead	2020 amount of taxes on average taxable value of residence homestead	(Increase/Decrease) of (nominal difference between amount of taxes imposed on the average taxable value of a residence homestead in the preceding year and the amount of taxes proposed on the average taxable value of a residence homestead in the current year), or (percentage difference between taxes imposed for preceding year and taxes proposed for current year)%
Total tax levy on all properties	2019 levy	(2020 proposed rate x current total value)/100	(Increase/Decrease) of (nominal difference between preceding year levy and proposed levy for current year), or (percentage difference between preceding year levy and proposed levy for current year)%

(If the tax assessor for the taxing unit maintains an internet website)

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for DONLEY COUNTY at 806-874-2744 or paula.lowrie@donleycad.org, or visit www.donleycad.org for more information.

(If the tax assessor for the taxing unit does not maintain an internet website)

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	2019	2020	Change
Total Tax Rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.65970	0.062879	decrease of -\$0.03091 or 4.69%
Average homestead taxable value	\$41,374	\$44,894	increase of 8.50%
Tax on average homestead	\$273	\$282	increase of \$9 or 3.42%
Total Tax Levy on all properties	\$1,805,445	\$1,875,777	increase of \$70,332