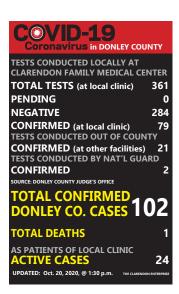
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Officials warn against usual trick or treating

Local officials are urging parents to avoid door-to-door trick or treating next Saturday, October 31, as COVID-19 numbers continue to rise in Donley County.

Donley County Judge John Howard, MD, reported 24 cases of the disease were currently active on Tuesday with 34 people testing positive in the county during the month of October so far.

"I wish I could impress upon everyone how important it is to wear a mask and wash your hands," Howard said. "I know everyone is tired of it, but it is in Donley County."

Howard said the virus is prevalent locally and said another resident was hospitalized as recently as Tuesday afternoon.

Clarendon City Administrator David Dockery said Tuesday that Mayor Sandy Skelton and Judge Howard were both encouraging the community not to practice traditional door-to-door trick or treating this year and said organized trunk or treat events would be preferable.

"I think when you look at school kids going door to door to potentially elderly residents, it would be preferable to have an



Cash Wilson rides for Clarendon College during the Stampede Rodeo last weekend.

COURTESY PHOTOS / TWO DOG ENTERPRISES

CC wins Stampede championship

The Clarendon College men's rodeo team claimed the championship at their home rodeo by earning a huge points total of 605 last weekend, October 15-17, at the Stampede Rodeo in CC's Livestock & Equine Center.

Clarendon's score was 300 points more than the second place team from Western Texas College followed by Sul Ross University in third place.

Fifteen colleges and universities in the Southwest Region competed with 725 total event entries in the rodeo. CC rodeo coach and event organizer Bret Franks expressed his thanks to the community for the supteam, both of which were successful.

number three in the region to first in in the average. the region."



(Left photo) CC rodeo coach Bret Franks presents the bareback riding buckle to co-champions Cauy Pool from Western Texas College and Cole Franks of Clarendon College. (Right Photo) CC saddle bronc champion Cash Wilson rides in the Stampede last weekend.

COURTESY PHOTOS / TWO DOG ENTERPRISES & DARLA FRANKS

port of the Stampede and of the CC in the long round with a 67-point go and average with his 77 and 82 long go but won second in the short ride. He tied for the average to win point rides to claim the champion- go with his 77 point ride to finish "We had a lot of people show the buckle, while Rickey Williams ship buckle. Keene Justesen had fourth, and Jayde Smith was 72 in up for the rodeo," Franks said, "and was 70 points in the long go and 80 74 points in the long go and 73 in the long go and failed to make the our men's team went from being points in the short go to finish third the short go to finish second, while ride in the short go round. Trey Elshere was 75 in the long go

Early voting continues thru Oct. 30

Early voting continues through next Friday, October 30, in the 2020 General Election and local elections.

In addition to the presidential, congressional, and other offices on the general ballot, the Clarendon College District, the Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District, and the City of Howardwick are also holding elections this year.

Local voters will select the successor for Crump's position as the County Tax Assessor / Collector. Crump is retiring at the end of the year. Seeking her job are Republican Kristy Christopher and Democrat Tony Dale, and Deedra Keen is running as a write-in candidate.

Also of local interest is the race to be the next person to serve in the US House of Representatives for Texas District 13. On the ballot are Republican Ronny Jackson, Democrat Gus Trujillo, and Libertarian Jack B. Westbrook.

Three seats are up on the Clarendon College Board of Regents, and incumbents Darlene Spier and Carey Wann are on the ballot along with challengers Guy Ellis, Chris Matthews, and Debbie Thompson.

Clarendon CISD's Board of Trustees has two positions available this year. Incumbent Reneé Mott is seeking re-election, and Kyle Davis and Chrisi Tucek are also running.

Howardwick has six people running for three city council seats. Aldermen Mary Grady and Marietta Baird are seeking re-election, and other candidates are Shelly Chavira, Terry Barnes, Jeremy Kindle, and Jada Murray.

Early ballots can be cast at the Donley County Courthouse Annex for the General Election as well as the college and school elections. Howardwick ballots must be cast at Howardwick City Hall.

Voters have until October 23 to request an absentee ballot. Voters

organized trunk or treat where masks can be worn," Dockery said.

USDA project to tie into downtown lines

City Hall reports the USDA water project will begin making excavations on Fourth Street at Sully, Kearney, and Gorst streets Oct. 26 as workers tie in the new water lines with the old system.

Clarendon City Administrator David Dockery said the disruption to downtown traffic should take about a week to tie-in and test the lines.

"We realize this is an inconvenience and we ask for patience as we make these required connections," Dockery said. "We will complete this work as soon as possible."

Sen. Seliger to host virtual town halls

State Senator Kel Seliger (R-Amarillo) is kicking off his annual town hall meetings for District 31 to discuss the upcoming 87th Legislature. In light of the coronavirus pandemic, town halls will be held virtually this year, October 22 and 23.

To register to participate and for more information, visit www. kelseliger.com two days prior to the town hall.

In the bareback riding, Cole riders claimed the first through Franks won the short round with an fourth spots with Cash Wilson championship round in the bottom sities and is hosted by Clarendon 84 point ride after barely qualifying winning first in the long go, short spot with his 68 point ride in the College every four years.

The CC Stampede is a NIRA The Clarendon saddle bronc and 72 in the short go to finish third. College Rodeo, which attracts Brody Wells came in to the teams from 16 colleges and univer-

who choose to return those ballots in person must bring an official ID and can only bring their own ballot and not a spouse's or other person's ballot with them.

The General Election will be held Tuesday, November 3, 2020.

SACSCOC removes CC from warning

removed from warning by its accrediting body, according to announcements from the school as well as the Southern Association of Colleges & Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).

We are happy to have this Tex Buckhaults said in a statement. "We work hard to maintain good standing with SACSCOC because they control our accreditation."

CC was first placed on warning in June of last year after the SAC-SCOC Board of Trustees determined the college had "failed to demonstrate compliance" with a core requirement and three standards set by the agency relating to governance by the CC Board of Regents following a complaint filed against the board several months earlier.

The warning led to year-long the college.' review of Clarendon College by the accrediting body, which culminated in June of this year with a SACSCOC committee visiting CC to determine the college's compliance with several would declare a conflict of interest,"

committee interviewed all the members of the board of regents individually, except for Regent Carey Wann who was not a member of the board during the initial SACSCOC investigation last year.

According matter resolved up," CC President requested from the college by The Clarendon Enterprise, the committee "reviewed extensive documents" and interviewed the board and college president. While the committee found that the college had taken steps to avoid conflict of interest issues with board members, it reported inconsistencies with how the college dealt with conflicts of interest based on responses from members of the board, and it also found the board lacked a "clear operational definition of a conflict of interest for Board members as they apply the policy of

"During interviews, individual Board members shared inconsistent definitions of conflict of interest and descriptions of how an individual

Clarendon College has been accreditation standards. The visiting the report said. "The Special Committee examined Board minutes of occasions when Board members recused themselves due to a potential conflict of interest; these lacked consistency based upon individual Board members attempting to deterto information mine if he/she should recuse or not."

> The report also found that the college did not have someone – such as a board officer or president - specifically assigned to be responsible for board accountability, did not offer a structured local orientation for new board members to address conflicts of interest, and was not posting all conflict of interest statements on its website as per its policy.

> In its response to the findings by SACSCOC, Clarendon College has adopted policy changes to address the issues found by the committee and change the way the board handles conflicts of interest. The board also adopted new policy to provide more structure and monitoring of training for its members.

> > The college also responded that See 'CC' on page four.



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Test time

Shonda Cummins has blood drawn during the Donley County Health Fair last Thursday at the Bairfield Activity Center. A total of 87 blood draws, to screen for COVID-19 antibodies and other tests, were taken and 45 flu shots were given at the fair. This vear's fair did not feature booths or vendors due to the pandemic and focused on blood tests and flu shots. ENTERPRISE PHOTO

Even during a pandemic, government must be open

By Kelley Shannon

Reopening public places amid the COVID-19 pandemic should certainly be carried out with caution. Government offices are no exception.

Yet citizens must have the ability to watch over their government, even during an emergency. Especially during an emergency.

It's long past time to reopen public access to government records and meetings that have been shut off for months. This can happen even if government employees continue to work from home for safety reasons.

The Texas Public Information Act and Texas Open Meetings Act - two major open government laws that help us learn about everything from local zoning decisions to school safety to toxic dumps have suffered serious setbacks since March, when the coronavirus swept in.

Some governments misused a provision in the law allowing "catastrophe notices," which are intended to temporarily postpone responses to public information requests because of a hurricane, flood, epidemic or other calamity. Certain governments tried to turn the temporary halt into an indefinite one.

Others developed their own questionable policies about when government offices are considered "closed" or operating on "skeleton crew," days not counted as business days for the Public Information Act. However, if employees paid by tax dollars are on duty and working from home and records are accessible electronically, as so many records are today, why can't a citizen's public information request be answered?

Clearly, clarifications and updates are needed in the Texas Public Information Act to reflect workplace realities in modern times. We need uniformity in how the law is applied.

Citizens requesting information about coronavirus outbreaks and testing have encountered additional roadblocks with local officials and state agencies. For example, the Texas Health and Human Services Commission tried to withhold data about which nursing homes and assisted living centers have experienced COVID-19 cases, even though such location information didn't violate individual patient privacy. Fortunately, the attorney general's office ruled in July against almost all of the commission's secrecy arguments. Now the data is posted online. Barriers to obtaining coronavirus cluster information still remain with some local governments.

When silence is really golden

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weeds."

The words "wash and wear" exploded in the 1950s, thanks to the introduction of treated cotton and synthetics that meant clothing could be worn straight from the washing machine. Ironing board sales plummeted, and housewives singing "Wash Day Blues" gave way to "Happy Days are Here Again."

Never in our dreams-up to and including wildest-did it occur that "wash kinship with a and wear" would be used around the world today, or near thereto.

We hear it endlessly: "Wash your hands. Wear your masks." (And when allergies activate runny noses under the masks, the suggestion is to "drip dry.").. ****

I have long been disappointed by insensitive folks trying to "score" with jokes about serious illnesses. A prominent minister several years

ago mentioned-from the pulpit-that several of the church's deacons had aids. He added quickly, "hearing aids."

That's what he's remembered forforfeiting much of his "admiration capital" by telling an unkind joke.... ****

Sometimes, poor hearing and lousy judgment team up to embarrass.

During a recent telephone visit between two men whose average age is 83, one thought the other said, "I have COVID-19."

What he had stated was, "I have Caller ID."....

The following "foul-up" happened recently to an older couple who pretty much use the computer only to ask questions of "that lady in the iPhone" and occasionally for exchanging emails.

Oh, they dabble in a few other technological features, but their "hit or miss" computer adventures usually take them

recent occamissed badly in a face-blushing

by don newbury

married wasn't instructions if they wished to access the

technological challenge, even discussing how they might have the better end of it. They wouldn't even have to think twice about "dressing up," and they'd be able to snack and gab as they saw fit during

Somehow, though, things went

When half of their computer screen showed the wedding scene, they didn't realize that for others down the line, their computer camera was showing them to online "guests" on the screen's other half. They were "on camera" throughout the wedding, making what they thought were frank comments intended to be heard only by each other. "What a mess of a hair-do," one said. "Reckon she got her hair done at the quick-fix auto shop?"

The other spouse contributed, "The dress is anything but flattering. She shore has porked up a bit," and "You'd think he would have gotten a fresh haircut!"... ****

Soon after the wedding, their phone



"GOOD NEWS ... PRESIDENT TRUMP SAYS THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC IS ROUNDING THE CORNER."

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started ringing.

The couple trotted out numerous

excuses, all feeble comments of the "if-

Making the "goof" even worse

was that several people recorded the

ceremony, realizing that it would be

viewed repeatedly up the way, not for

the "ceremonial half," but mostly for

the comments made by a couple of old

duffers on the other half of the screen.

I'll not address the matter further, since

I fear that words like "blackmail" and

"stupidity" might somehow sneak into

undoing," brain trusts of the former

able mascot for now and forever.

Washington Redskins no doubt think

forebears could have chosen an accept-

They've ditched the "Redskin" moniker,

Political correctness will be served

If important for the name to reflect

changing logos, letterheads, and so forth.

and now are the "Washington Football

Team" until a new mascot is selected.

at the cost of millions of dollars in

(Doesn't PC suggest the Kansas City

something indigenous to Washington,

how about the Washington Deficits?

Wannabees? Filibusters? Wampum-

Wasters? The Washington Wash-Outs

might work well, since the team has

been "hung out to dry," 0-5 out of the

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Chiefs should be squirming?)

While on the subject of "wishful

the commentary....

we-had-only-known" variety.

american ****

Their relative getting

close enough to warrant an invitation, but they were given careful written ceremony live on the internet.

They thought they could handle the the knot-tying.

wrong, terribly wrong.... ****

Numerous complaints have emerged during the pandemic about lack of access to government meetings. Among the problems: Technical glitches preventing viewing of online meetings; lack of detail in public notices about how to log in to a virtual meeting; bans on citizens attending a meeting in person when there is no online or phone option offered as an alternative; and unreasonable restrictions on public comments at government meetings.

The non-profit FOI Foundation is partnering with other organizations in online discussions this fall to help Texans voice their concerns and understand their open government rights. In an event hosted by state Sen. Judith Zaffirini, the senator noted Texas transparency laws are built on the principle that light must shine on our government.

"The people deserve to know how their governments are run and how their tax dollars are spent, and those entrusted with power have a responsibility to tell them," she said. "In other words, we should not be afraid of the light. The availability of information is essential to a functioning democracy."

Another online primer on government transparency takes place Thursday, Oct. 22, hosted by the Texas Public Policy Foundation. It is free and open to the public.

Expect further freedom of information discussions in upcoming weeks and months as Texans navigate open records and meetings laws during the coronavirus pandemic and speak up for other needed transparency measures.

At all times we must protect the public's vitally important right to know.

Kelley Shannon is executive director of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas, a non-profit that promotes open government and protects the First Amendment liberties free speech and free press.



Vignettes: A better pig sty back home

By George Hubbard

Augustin Haidusek, who became a successful newspaperman and politician, was probably the best-known and most influential of the early Czech pioneers in Texas. But his initial years in Texas were not at all glamorous. The Haidusek family endured many hardships as did so many other immigrant Czech families in those early years.

At the age of eleven, Augustin Haidusek arrived in Texas with his parents. Settling on the east bank of the Navidad River in Fayette County, along with a colony of other Czech immigrants, the Haidusek family struggled to survive. In their first year of farming, the colony produced only one bale of cotton which they managed to sell at La Grange. Life

that first year was extremely difficult. In addition to exhausting all the money they had brought with them, the colony had to cope with an epidemic caused by the hard work and contaminated water.

"But God was with us," Augustin later reminisced. "The following year crops were better and with the kind help of those of English speaking extraction, we became firmly established."

Still life was not easy, and their dwellings, for example, were extremely crude. These early Czech immigrants had neither the time nor the means for building homes comparable to those they had left behind. Devoting all their efforts toward eking out a subsistence, they had to be content for a while with living in shacks and hovels made of hastily

thrown together materials.

Four years after the Haiduseks' arrival, a friend newly arrived from Moravia, visited the Haidusek family. Aghast at the crude shelter in which the family was living, the friend exclaimed to Valenta Haidusek, Augustin's father, that "you had a better pig sty at home."

The father replied, "I had rather live in this hut as an American citizen, than to live in a palace and be under the Austro-Hungarian oppression."

With such feelings, the Czech immigrants were bound to survive despite their many hardships, and Augustin and many others eventually became leaders and prosperous citizens in their new country.

George Hubbard is a resident of Clarendon.

The origin of Tech's 'guns up'

You start out with a closed fist. We Then stick out your forefinger and raise Tech and still your thumb. All of a sudden your hand looks like a cocked pistol. That's Texas Tech's "Guns Up" gesture that students use at sporting events and in greeting newspaper. each other. Next year, 2021, will mark That's where the 50th year of "Guns Up."

In 1971, Glenn Dippel and his wife cartoon that Roxie, both graduates of Texas Tech, prompted Of texas saw a cartoon of a Yosemite Sam character holding two six-shooters in the air. Roxie said, "What do you think of this?" and did the guns up gesture. Glenn went to the copy machine, and made a copy of his hand in the guns up position. He sent it to the Saddle Tramps, Tech's spirit organization, along with a letter saying the gesture could be a way of Tech students to recognize each other and also to combat the University of Texas's "hook if we had started that." 'em horns" gesture.

emotionally prepared for all the orange and hook 'em horns signs all over town.



we saw the stories all this. The by tumbleweed smith

newspaper's

cartoonist, Dirk West, drew the cartoon."

In the fall of 1971, Glenn and Roxie went to the UT stadium to see the football game between Texas and Texas Tech. They were surprised to see the Tech cheerleaders and students using the guns up sign. "Roxie and I looked at each other, raised our eyebrows and wondered

Glenn and Roxie moved to Austin game party and Glenn asked somebody from Lubbock in 1970. "We weren't about the gesture. The person replied, "Yeah, some guy in Austin started that." By 1975 it was established that

Glenn and Roxie had indeed been the

originators of the guns up tradition and were recognized by the alumni association. "We're tickled to be able to do that for Tech," says Glenn. "My two favorite teams are Texas Tech and whoever Texas is playing."

Glenn grew up in Old Glory, Texas, the only town in the US to have that name. It was originally called Brandenburg but was changed during World War One because it sounded too foreign. Glenn had the choice of going to either a college in Abilene or Texas Tech. He knew Abilene was dry at the time, so he chose Tech. He thrived there. His mother said he majored in Roxie. They met at church and have been married 62 years.

He and Roxie both studied accounting and passed the CPA exam in 1971. "We have the distinction of being the Glenn and Roxie went to an after only couple in Texas to pass the exam together at the same time.'

Both have retired and live in Temple.

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Obituaries Miller

Cheryl Ann Molder Miller, 70, of Memphis died Monday, October 19, 2020, in Memphis.

Graveside services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 22, 2020, in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon.

Arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Cheryl was born May 31, 1950, in Memphis to Carroll and Roberta Jones Molder. She married Carl "Dee" Miller on August 27, 1996, in Memphis. She was a longtime resident of Memphis where she was an LVN prior to her retirement. She was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. She loved her kids, grandkids, and great grandkids.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; and a brother, Thomas Grady Molder.

She survived by her son, Ray Thomas and wife Winona of Seminole, Texas; her daughters, Chantel Brooks and husband Larry of Shamrock and Tiffany Rives and husband Mario of Vacaville, California; her brother, John Molder and wife Jeannie of Clarendon; her sister, Billie Layland of Clarendon; her grandchildren, Rachel Thomas, Dwayne Thomas, Shaila Runnels, Paige Thomas, Ashley Runnels, Heather Rushing, and Kamron Mason; and her great grandchildren, Michael Thomas, Marcus Thomas, Taylon Wingfield, Zaveah Wingfield, Zaire Wiggins, Aria Runnels, and Corren Wilson.

Sign the online guestbook at www.robertsonfuneral.com

CHS Junior Class selling Poinsettias

The Clarendon High School Junior Class members are selling Poinsettias until November 2 for this holiday season.

The area grown Poinsettias are available in the five varieties: Red, White, Pink, Marble, and Red Glitter. The plants are \$16 each for up to five and \$14 each for six or more.

To purchase a Poinsettia, contact any junior or a class sponsor: Mrs. Wright, Ms. Lacey, Mrs. Hill, or Mrs. Lewis.





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The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting October 20 with Boss Lion Landon Lambert in command.

We had 12 members and no guests this week.

The Boss Lion said the quadrennial rodeo at the college and the annual health fair were both successful.

ARMACY WELLINESS GENTER

Lion Scarlet Estlack reported on the college where they are keeping COVID under control. She also thanked the sponsors and donors of the rodeo.

Lion David Dockery reported that contractors today are getting ready to put bricks back in streets disturbed by the USDA water project. More road penetrations will be seen next week as the new lines get tied into the old lines downtown along Fourth Street at Sully, Kearney, and Gorst streets.

The Boss Lion also talked about the club supporting the trunk or treat at the Mulkey next week, and the club approved of his idea of doing a polar bear plunge at the pool next spring. The club also agreed to postpone the annual Pancake Supper until after the first of the year.

There being no further business, we were adjourned to spread Lionism and good cheer throughout our fair county.



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October 23, 24, & 25

The Exorcist • Friday & Saturday 7:30 p.m. • The Lost Boys • Sunday 2:00 p.m. • Mulkey Theatre •

October 30 Owls v Lefors • 7:00 p.m. • Home

October 30

Broncos v Wheeler • 7:00 p.m. • Away

October 31

Halloween in Clarendon • 10:00 @ Kearney St • Mulkey Theatre Trunk or Treat • 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. • Hocus Pocus @ Mulkey Theatre • Free at 7:30 p.m.



October 26-30 Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Hot beef on a bun, tater tots. green salad, pineapple & banana, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Red beans/ham, garden salad, turnip greens, combread, apple cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, potato salad, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Smothered pork, mashed potatoes, spinach, cornbread, gingerbread, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Beef stew/veggies, garden salad, cornbread, peachy gelatin, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedlev Senior Citizens

Mon: Crispy chicken on a fun, tomato lettuce, mayonnaise, potato wedges, carrot & raisin salad, fruit cocktail, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Beef enchilada, borracho beans, coleslaw, cornbread, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Macaroni, beef, tomato, lima beans, wheat roll, fruit & oatmeal bar. iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Ham & pinto beans, cornbread, margarine, spinach, seasoned corn, orange apple crisp, iced tea/2%milk.

Fri: Polish sausage, cabbage, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread, peaches, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD

Breakfast Mon: Pancakes, ham, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Tues: Cereal bar, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Wed: Chicken n biscuit, fruit juice, fruit. milk.

Thu: Breakfast bread, fruit juice, fruit, milk

Fri: Breakfast sandwich, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch

Mon: Pig in a blanket, sweet potato

Everyone should get out an vote

November 3, 2020, is national sider was the election day. It's a day that occurs month to hold every four years when we, as American citizens over 18 years of age, The elect the president of the United States.

After we declared our indepen- nated because dence from England in 1776, there of were no federal election laws with ing each state regulating their own election days except the results of the presidential elections had to be in crops, fall was reserved for harvest by the first Wednesday in December. Can you imagine the chaos caused by those laws? We see it today in most voters - that land-owning, the primaries with instant results in front of our TV screen. Back then with only newspapers and the pony express to spread the news, everyone was anxious to see how other states voted. Like our primaries, many times results from those last few states may not have mattered. The country knew who the new president was before it was officially announced.

By the year 1845, Congress knew they needed to make changes in the election laws. What to do? At the time, America was primarily a farming country, so first to con-

This past weekend, my family which makes it and I went to Amarillo for my birth- hurt more. On day. The first thing that my friends the next round,

Aggression Paintball which is the because same place that we went to for my cornered them friend Mason's birthday.

twice in the butt as I was running on a tower and reporter away and one of them didn't pop started shooting by benjamin estlack

the election. spring months were quickly elimi-

'wick plantpicks crops, by peggy cockerham Howardwick • 874-2886 summer was

spent tending and winter was too cold to travel. That left November. In 1845, it took white, over 21, male voter - an average of 10 hours to travel from home to the county seat where most ballot boxes were located, which meant an extra day of travel. Sunday was a day of sabbath with no travel acceptable, Wednesday and Saturdays were sales days, so after much debate congress finally decided on Tuesday as election day with Monday allowed as travel day.

What date? Catholics said "No" to the first day of November, it was a holy day. Merchants also said "No" to November 1st because that was when they tallied the books

Birthday weekend fun in Amarillo

in a fort, and On the first-round, I got shot then I climbed the cub at them until all my ammo was gone. I ended up hitting them both.

and made orders for the month. So,

the new law read, "The electors of

first Monday in November.

county seat and elected General

Zachary Taylor of the Whig party

over Lewis Cass of Democratic

party. Sadly, in the presidential elec-

tion of 2012, only 57.5 percent of eli-

gible voters reelected Barack Obama

tion day? If we changed the day to

Monday and made it a federal holiday

would that encourage more people

to vote? Personally, I think you are

eral holiday won't matter. Just vote.

Should we change the elec-

as president.

Then we went bowling which was really fun, and we ended the weekend by meeting at our house to have pizza and watch a bunch of scary shows.

I had a lot of fun, and I can't wait until next year when I will be able to drive.

TxDOT urges 'end the streak' of deaths on roads

adopted a new goal of having zero

deaths on our roadways by 2050, and

"The effort to end the streak

North Austin neighborhood. It's the the streak of daily deaths in Texas," start of a new summer and 14-year- Ryan said. "This is why in 2019 the a social media, grassroots and wordold Alexei Bauereis is walking his Texas Transportation Commission friend home through a crosswalk.

Filled with the excitement only a new summer can bring, Alexei to cut the number of fatalities in half likely didn't see the car speeding by 2035. We will do our part; and we able sign displaying the hashtag toward the crosswalk. The 19-year- need drivers to do theirs.' old driver didn't see Alexei either, because he was changing the music every day in crashes in the state. on his phone.

Alexei died instantly, along of daily deaths in Texas is a shared with his dream of becoming a world responsibility and we are committed class ballet dancer.

This November 7, Texas marks every project we build or maintain," 20 years of daily deaths on our road- said TxDOT Executive Director height of the COVID-19 pandemic, ways with more than 70,000 innocent James Bass. "It's going to take edu- traffic levels on Texas highways pion for road safety and TxDOT's imperative." #EndTheStreakTX campaign, commitment.

AUSTIN — The sound of base- actually had zero deaths on their drugs; watch your speed, and always ball and the smell of barbecue fills a roadways – that tells me we can end drive to the conditions around you.

Because #EndTheStreakTX is of-mouth effort, Texans are being asked to do any or all the following to raise awareness: Post pictures on social media with this download-#EndTheStreakTX; Use one of our An average of 10 people die social media profile filters; and Join the #TexasTag10 challenge on social media and tag ten family members or friends and encourage them to say what they will do differently to avoid to including safety enhancements in a fatal crash on our roads.

Earlier this year, during the This decrease in traffic encouraged TxDOT to think the horrific What we're asking is simple: streak might finally come to an unchanged, even with fewer driv-

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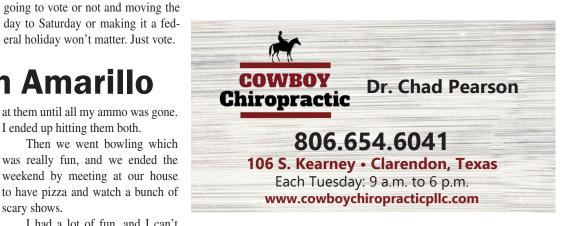
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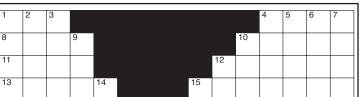
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and I did was go paintballing at my team won we

fries, corn, grapes, milk. Tues: Crispy tacos, salsa, beans, cucumbers, orange, milk. Wed: Chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, broccoli, roll, fruit cup, cookie, milk. Thu: Pizza, steak fries, carrots, snowball salad, milk.

Fri: Pulled pork, green beans, salad, pineapple, milk.

Hedley ISD

Breakfast

Mon: Donuts, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk

Tues: Burrito, hash brown, fruit juice, fruit, milk

Wed: Waffles, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Thu: Bagel, yogurt, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

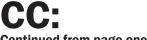
Fri: French toast, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch

Mon: Oven baked chicken, roasted potatoes, carrot coins, peaches, hot roll, milk

Tues: Calzones, corn, salad, milk, Wed: Boneless BBQ wings, veggie cup, fries, apricots, sherbet, milk. Thu: Quesadilla, salad, green beans, applesauce, milk.

Fri: Sloppy Joe, fries, veggie cup, strawberries, rice krispie, milk.



Continued from page one.

a Policy Review Special Committee of the board "is working to convert the institution's policy manual to align with or adopt the TASB Community College Policy Reference Manual."

"The [Board of Regents] has adopted a new operational definition and a procedure to identify conflict of interest," the response said. "With these actions the [Board of Regents] and our President have positioned themselves to better protect the integrity of the institution and ensure continued training of its members."

Following the college's official response to the SACSCOC committee's report in August, the SACSCOC Board of Trustees met September 3 to review that response formally removed CC from warning. "Last year, 20 Texas counties under the influence of alcohol or must do better," said Ryan.

Several local events set for Halloween

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Clarendon is hosting a fun- hosting a Trunk or Treat along with filled day of trick-or-treating, games, a costume contest, and concessions. food, movies, and more on Hallow- There will be prizes for best coseen, Saturday, October 31.

Starting at 10 a.m. downtown, the Chamber of Commerce is orga- Methodist Church will also be hostnizing merchants and vendors who ing their annual trunk-or-treat in will be set up with trick-or-treating, front of the church. a costume contest, food trucks, a scavenger hunt.

Burton Memorial Library will ing at 7 p.m. also be judging their scarecrow contest that day.

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p.m., the Mulkey Theatre will be son Funeral Directors.

lives like Alexei's lost to preventable cation, engineering and enforcement dropped nearly 44 percent in some fatal crashes. Texas Transportation to get this done, and that's why this parts of the state. Commissioner Laura Ryan, a cham- call to action to every Texan is so

believes ending this streak is attain- when you get behind the wheel end. Instead, the death rate was able, but will require every Texan's buckle up; pay attention and avoid all distractions like phones; never drive ers on Texas roads. "We can and we



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27. Popular TV host 34. Overnighters 35. Beloved British princess 36. Obtains from

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- 36. Silly

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Howardwick will also host a vendor fair, face painting, and a trunk-or-treat and Frito pie feed at the McMorries Memorial Park Start-

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Kinze Zongker, Kase Zonger, and Jaquadon Ballard painted pumpkins during the Cub Scout Spook-o-ree at Camp MK Brown last Saturday. COURTESY PHOTO



NRCS sets deadlines for EQUIP funding

The USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Texas has announced the first funding application deadline of December 4, 2020, for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). A second funding application deadline will be February 12, 2021.

Applications are taken year around for NRCS programs, but deadlines are announced to rank and fund eligible conservation projects. Producers interested in signing up for EQIP should submit applications to their local USDA service center. If already a USDA client, a producer can submit applications online via Farmers.gov.

EQIP is a voluntary program that provides financial and technical assistance to agricultural producers. Technical assistance is provided without a fee from NRCS specialists to help landowners and land managers plan and implement conservation practices to help them meet their land management goals, address natural resource concerns and improve soil, water, plant, animal, air, and related resources on agricultural land and non-industrial private forestland.

For additional information visit the NRCS Texas website at www. tx.nrcs.usda.gov.

Applications for EQIP are accepted on a continuous basis. Producers interested in EQIP can contact their local USDA service center or visit the NRCS EQIP web page.





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October 17, 2020 1:09 a.m. - Deputy to call at Allsups 8:55 a.m. - Deputy to call on N. 70 11:53 a.m. - Deputy to call on 8th Street

2:05 p.m. - Deputy to call on Rosenfield

2:22 p.m. - One new inmate brought to jail

5:12 p.m. - EMS to call at 600 block S. Leroy

5:37 p.m. - Deputy to call EB I-40 at mm 124

6:51 p.m. - Deputy to call at EB I-40 and mm 124 single vehicle rollover 7:23 p.m. - Deputy to call at Allsups 8:25 p.m. - Deputy to call at 400 block W. 5th

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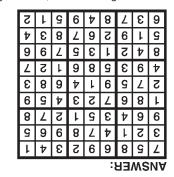
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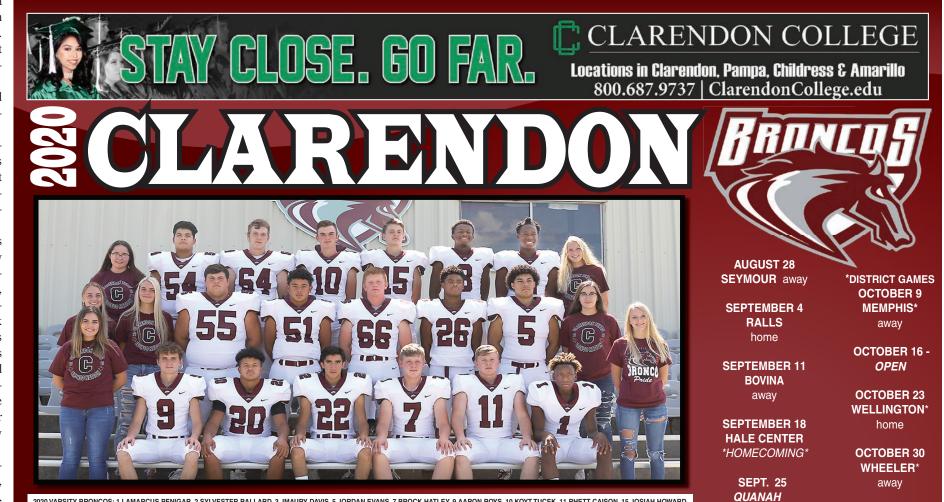


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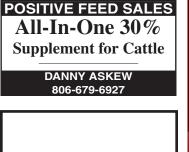


costs, especially during the pandemic," said Malcolm Smoak, SWEPCO president and chief operating officer. "We continually work to balance customers' expectations about cost and service with the costs necessary to build, maintain, and operate a strong and reliable electric system. In the months ahead, the Public Utility Commission and other stakeholders will carefully review our request."

The request includes investments in generation, transmission, and distribution facilities since 2016, plus increased operations and maintenance costs to provide reliable and safe service to Texas customers. It also includes costs related to generating unit retirements, increased tax costs related to accelerated depreciation, and additional funds for vegetation management.

Base rates refer to the costs of building, maintaining and operating SWEPCO's electric system, including power plants, transmission and distribution lines and facilities to serve customers. Base rates do not include the fuel portion of the customer's bill, which pays for fuel and purchased power and is a passthrough to customers with no profit to the company.

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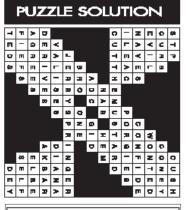


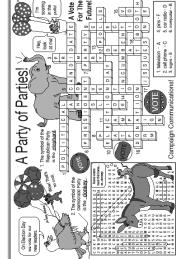
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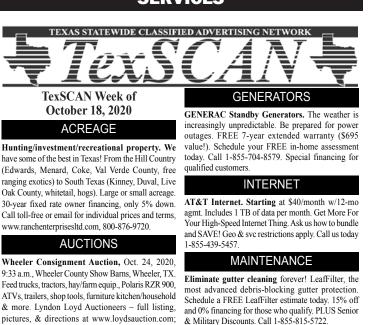
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Texas A&M AgriLife Research's Jianbang Gan, Ph.D., a forest management and economics professor in the Department of Ecology and Conservation Biology, and Lewis Ntaimo, Ph.D., professor and head of the Wm Michael Barnes '64 Department of Industrial & Systems Engineering. The two Texas A&M researchers received \$280,000 of a \$550,0000 National Science Foundation, NSF, grant for this interdisciplinary, collaborative project with lation growth, urbanization, changes

project's principal investigator from vate lands, and entire communities Texas A&M, specializes in systems modeling, mathematical optimization to wildfire management. Gan's Texas A&M is represented by contributions will center on forest economics and management and response strategies to environmental wildfires.

> The diversified expertise from the Texas A&M project leaders will help produce outcomes that provide landowners and at-risk communities with alternatives to other, potentially more costly, methods of wildfire prevention or management.

Various factors including popu-

While wildfires remain an Oleg Prokopyey, Ph.D. in the Swan- in land use and weather variabilson School of Engineering at the ity due to climate change continue to amplify wildfire risk, leaving Ntaimo, who serves as the livestock, wildlife, public and priincreasingly vulnerable, without appropriate action.

> Gan said their models will consider factors such as critical locations of concern in at-risk areas, seasonal conditions and spatial patterns of vegetation in order to predict what disturbances like climate change and fuel treatment methods would be most effective under certain conditions and when and how they should be implemented.

Historical data from the Texas A&M Forest Service will be used to build and test these models. The model simulations will allow researchers to anticipate threats and identify optimal solutions for realistic posed by wildfires.

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