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COVID-19 Coronavirus in DONLEY COUNTY	
TESTS CONDUCTED LOCALLY AT CLARENDON FAMILY MEDICAL CENTER	
TOTAL TESTS (at local clinic)	1261
PENDING	0
NEGATIVE	901
CONFIRMED (at local clinic)	360
TESTS CONDUCTED OUT OF COUNTY	
CONFIRMED (at other facilities)	41*
TESTS CONDUCTED BY NAT'L GUARD	
CONFIRMED	2
SOURCE: DONLEY COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE	
TOTAL CONFIRMED DONLEY CO. CASES	403
TOTAL DEATHS	1
AS PATIENTS OF LOCAL CLINIC	
ACTIVE CASES	11
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<small>*This number may be higher due to delays in reporting from outside agencies.</small>	

Extension plans ag conference

The Southeast Texas Panhandle Ag Conference will be held Wednesday, March 3, in Clarendon at the Donley County Activity Center.

Registration will be from 8:00 to 8:30 and the program immediately following.

This year's speakers will include Dr. John Robinson, state cotton economist; Dr. Pete Dotray, Extension weed specialist; Kati Lewis, soil specialist; Murillo Maeda, cotton agronomist and DeDe Jones, risk management specialist.

Lunch will be provided by Bertie Fannie's of Memphis. Four CEUs will be offered and those that want to participate in the Auxin meeting following the main program will also receive required certification and an additional one CEU laws and regulations hour. The cost will be \$10.

Those interested are asked to RSVP to the Donley County Extension Office at 806-874-2141. Social distancing and proper COVID-19 precautions will be expected.

Methodist youth to host luncheon

The public is invited to attend a rescheduled Valentine's Day Lunch, February 28, hosted by the Clarendon First United Methodist Youth.

Donations will be accepted, and social distancing and wearing of masks will be practiced. There are two times available for lunch. The times are noon and 1:00 p.m. To sign up, visit firstumclarendontx.org.

All youth (grades 6th-12th) are welcome to participate. If interested in going to Ceta Canyon, youth should meet with the youth group on February 27 at 2 p.m. for further details.

Baseball sign-ups set for March 1-2

The Clarendon Baseball League will be holding sign-ups for baseball players and softball players age nine to 16. Monday & Tuesday, March 1 and March 2, at the Bronco Gym from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. \$50 due at sign up.

Sandell will host TobyMac April 16

The Drive-In Theater Tour that was so popular in 2020 is back with superstar TobyMac scheduled to be at Clarendon's Sandell Drive-In on April 16.

The DiverseCity Band and Cochren & Co. will also appear for the live and in person for a night unlike you've ever experienced before. Tickets on sale now at www.DriveInTheaterTour.com.



Courthouse suffers severe water damage

The Jewel of the Plains suffered greatly last week when the arctic storm caused a water leak that flooded parts of the Donley County Courthouse.

County Judge John Howard said it appears a fresh-air intake dampener failed to close properly allowing subzero air to enter one of the courthouse's units, causing copper water lines in air coil to develop multiple leaks.

The leak in the unit in the 1890 building's attic likely began Sunday night or early Monday morning February 14 or 15, the judge said. Due to a government holiday on the February 15, the damage was not discovered until Tuesday, February 16.

By that time, the leak had virtually destroyed the second floor office

of the county attorney above the courthouse entrance, and water had leaked into the vault of the first floor judge's office, flooded the main corridor on the ground floor and entered the basement.

Water was also leaking from the ceiling of the courthouse entry way, forming a giant icicle and creating an ice flow down the main steps to the building.

On the second floor, 130-year-old pine floors buckled between the county attorney's office and the district courtroom, and water flowed down the main staircase, ruining the finish on the wooden treads.

Frost on the inside of some of the windows in the building was as thick as a centimeter in some places, Howard said.

County workers turned off the water supply to the faulty unit and got as much of the water as possible out of the building. Howard said CarpetTech of Amarillo was called in to extract more water and set up dehumidifiers.

An insurance adjuster inspected the damage last Friday, and Howard said the county will likely wait until warmer weather to replace the unit, which will remain out of service until then.

The county has water detectors set up in several locations, but this leak occurred in just such a way that it missed setting off those alarms.

Howard said the damage is bad but that it can and will be repaired, and he said he is grateful that the damage was not worse.



Ice flows down near the entrance of the Donley County Courthouse last week.

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Local champions

The Hedley Owls and the Clarendon Broncos both clinched Bi-District Championships last week. Hedley (top photo) beat Ft. Elliott for the title Friday night, and the Broncos beat Sanford-Fritch on Thursday to advance. In the bottom photo, Cayden D'Costa holds up the Broncos' trophy. For more details about local playoff games, see pages three and six.

ENTERPRISE PHOTOS / ROGER ESTLACK

Vargas resigns from county clerk position

Donley County Clerk Fay Vargas has announced her retirement after more than 30 years of service.

Vargas told the Enterprise that her health was the main reason she chose to retire. Her resignation becomes effective February 28.

"The time was just right with my health," Vargas said. "With this COVID, I've managed to avoid it, but I've decided it's time."

Vargas said the county is also going to be getting new voting equipment this year and the Legislature is meeting and will likely make changes to election laws, so those were also factors influencing her.

"I'm looking forward to my only responsibility to be to go vote," she said. "I encourage everyone to

get out and vote. I appreciate every voter who helped keep me in office, and I thank them for their support."

Vargas succeeded P.C. Messer as the county and district clerk and has served in that role for 34 years and two months. In all that time, she said she's only had three people run against her for the job.

Vargas was the county's only Democrat in office. When she first ran, Democrats held every elected office at the county level. Since then, those other offices have either been won by Republicans or the office holders have switched parties.

Donley County Commissioners will meet this Friday to name someone to fill Vargas' position. Her term expires in 2022.

COVID cases fall as state plans shot clinic

The Clarendon Family Medical Center reports COVID-19 infections seem to have subsided among Donley County residents this week, and officials say a state vaccination clinic is being planned for next week.

As of Tuesday morning, the clinic has only one active case under its care, P.J. O'Keefe told the Enterprise for the clinic.

"We're seeing fewer sick people now," O'Keefe said.

Since the last update from the clinic on February 9, only two additional people have tested positive for the virus. This again does not include information on people who have may have tested at facilities outside the county.

Meanwhile, Donley County Judge John Howard, MD, reports that the clinic has received another

allocation of 100 doses of the vaccine but there are more than 300 people on a waiting list. Howard said the local clinic has been working with the Associated Ambulance Authority to administer vaccines as well as antibody infusions for sick patients.

Howard reported the state will hold a vaccination clinic at the Bairfield Activity Center on the campus of Clarendon College next Friday, March 5. State personnel will be staying over in Clarendon that night and are planning another vaccination clinic in Memphis the next day, Howard said.

More information about the vaccination clinic was not available at press time but will be posted on ClarendonLive.com and Facebook. com/TheEnterprise as it becomes available.

Four seeking city positions

The City of Clarendon will be the only local government holding an election this spring after four candidates came forward to run for two positions on the city council by the filing deadline February 12.

Aldermen Jacob Fangman and Terri Floyd will be joined on the ballot by former alderman Tommy Hill and junior high principal Travis Victory. Mayor Sandy Skelton is

unopposed in his re-election bid.

The city election will be held Saturday, May 1, 2021.

Other local boards did not attract enough candidates to have contested elections, and those elections will likely be canceled.

All three incumbents on the Donley County Hospital District Board of Directors filed to serve

See 'Candidates' on page 4.

City council appoints Floyd to vacancy

The Clarendon City Council appointed Terri Floyd to fill the vacant term formerly held by her son, Nathan Floyd, during its meeting last Thursday, February 18.

Floyd is a local business owner and has previously served several years on the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation board.

The unexpired term Floyd was appointed to expires in May, and she has already filed to run for the position on this spring's city ballot.

In other city news last week,

the council met with Linda Lewis via Zoom to discuss code issues at the old Neece house at Sixth and Bugbee.

Lewis told aldermen she will have the dilapidated garage torn down within about three months and also said a roofer was coming to look at what needs to be done on the house.

Aldermen also approved a \$1,000 donation to the Meals on Wheels program at the Donley County Senior Citizens.

Aldermen considered engineering firms for a Downtown Revitalization Grant application and selected OJD Engineering for that work.

An agreement was approved with Consolidated Nuclear Security, which operates Pantex, for a lightning location protection system station at the Smiley Johnson Municipal Airport. Pantex will pay the city \$3,800 for the station being there from 2001 through 2020 and will then pay the city \$1,000 per year for the next five years.



Mayor Sandy Skelton with Alderman Terri Floyd.

Donley Co. Courthouse a highlight of the region

By Walter Wendler

When people think about public space in and around cities and towns, notable parks in metropolises come to mind. Some examples include Griffith Park in Los Angeles, City Park in New Orleans, Zilker Metropolitan Park in Austin, and my favorite, the mother of all for the granite from which it is carved, Central Park in New York. Indeed, these are great places of public sanctuary in teeming seas of humanity that know little rest.

Public spaces in less densely populated areas, such as our treasured Texas Panhandle, are meaningful for people that live and work here. Most often located on a block of land near the center of a community, county courthouses are important quarters of action and rest, simultaneously.

Randall County Courthouse in Canyon, Texas, WT's home, was built in 1908 is one such edifice. It is a classic courthouse that orients itself to the center of the town square around which small businesses offer products and services. It is public common ground instilling community. Currently unoccupied, but carefully restored, ready for its next high calling.

Carson County Courthouse is the hub of Carson County in Panhandle, Texas, representative of many Panhandle courthouses. Striking to me is a 1778 James Madison quote, chiseled into stone on the courthouse grounds. It memorializes a concept regarding the nature of what is simultaneously public and private in our lives. It reads, "We have stacked the whole future of American civilization, not upon the power of government. Far from it. We have stacked the future of all our political institutions upon the capacity of mankind for self-government. Upon the capacity of each and all of us to govern ourselves. To control ourselves. To sustain ourselves according to the 10 Commandments of God." Such thinking, posted on an island of public space in an ocean of private land crystallizes Carson County: a dot of "super glue" that binds families, communities, municipalities and private compositions of human energy into something bigger, something public.

Quite possibly the most dramatic courthouse in the Texas Panhandle, Donley County Courthouse in Clarendon, is the oldest in the Panhandle, first occupied in 1891. The importance of this rare piece of public architecture was expressed by the spare-no-expense restoration and eventual rededication on July 4, 2003.

In contrast to parks and buildings, civic demarcations of land are strands of steel controlling cattle's movement in the wide-open spaces strung on fence posts, dug and hammered into relentlessly challenging soil, packed hard by the arid atmosphere and ceaseless wind. The barbed wire helps determine what belongs to whom and how important it is to separate plots of private land from private land; and private land from public land.

Michael Grauer, previously associate director for curatorial affairs of the Panhandle-Plains Historical Museum, noted the purpose of this razor-thin, yet imperative wire-wrought inscription on the ground, "Those who were settling in the Panhandle needed a way to make their presence felt." Grauer continued, "Barbed wire stringing was about establishing ownership and therefore control of the land." Not the public/private granite canyons of New York that flow into Central Park. Rather, the grazing and pastureland around Palo Duro Canyon State Park, a public space like no other. Some would say scratched by the finger of God Himself, rather than crafted by the hands of millions that created the free world's financial capital. Our public space is the centerpiece of multiplied millions of acres of grazing and pasture land and public rights-of-way, in a symphony of public and private space (nearly 16 million acres – one-tenth of all of Texas) separated by faint wire-drawn lines. But, powerful, they will rip your pants and tear the skin of your thigh if not respected for their authority to determine what's yours, what's mine and what's ours – public and private space

Delbert Trew's perspective of barbed-wire is memorialized in the Devil's Rope Museum. Not Central Park, but a 0.092-inch diameter thread, marking public and private land for human and beast alike. In a 1984 exposé on barbed wire, Texas Monthly summarized its impact, "Barbed wire remade Texas. Once an empire of grass and cattle, Texas slowly became a patchwork of ranches and farms, stitched together by miles and miles of wicked-looking wire." Devil's rope.

Parks, open and public; courthouses, magnificent, indelibly marking public space; and stretched strands of steel creating boundaries, all work together delineating public and private in a symphony of ownership defining the heart and soul of the Texas Panhandle.

WT benefits as those who work and study here appreciate the essential dualism of public and private.

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Friend left the world with a smile

Don Jackson was an accomplished educator, artist, furniture maker, and taxidermist – a master of anything he ever tried to tackle but football.

Dallas Cowboy great Drew Pearson's candle of hope was down to final flickers. Recently, though, the Pro Football Hall of Fame recognized the greatness of this National Football League star who was named "all-pro" three times. Old number "88"–who set numerous team records in the 1970s-1980s–was named to the 2021 HOF class, unleashing tears from his 70-year-old eyes.

Another number "88"–this one worn by a Beaumont, Texas, junior high school football aspirant when Pearson was in diapers–wore the number proudly, if only for a few days. Had his jersey fit him better, he might have stayed out longer. (As my mother said, "The jersey swallowed him whole.")

Thanks to those "88" numerals, the young man exited football early, choosing more scholarly pursuits as he distinguished himself in a career spent largely in higher education. His "88" number perhaps hastened his decision to drop the sport....

My late friend, Don Jackson, brought laughter when he told the story to friends. While sizes, speeds, and weights may be exaggerated, the rest is accurate, or might near.

In the 1940s, Jackson remembered being shorter, thinner, and slower than the "average bear," or so he thought. He mostly warmed the bench, where reserves feared one foe–called "Great Big Gosh-awful"–almost as much as starters. "GBG's" name made big sports page headlines weekly.

As an aspiring receiver hopeful of snagging passes, Don was a "David" and the big guy was a "Goliath" who made mincemeat of ball carriers each week. That's what sent shivers down spines of pass receivers. Probably he wouldn't enter the game, Don thought. But what if he did? This "tackling terror" was rumored to have been a junior high student for several years, and the "man among boys" even had razor nicks on his face. Shaving was not on the radar of Don's team members....

There's more. Don rightly thought of himself as "droopy." After all, his shoes, pads, pants, and jersey were several sizes too big. The guy who'd worn the football duds previously perhaps weighed 300 pounds. Don's untucked jersey nearly reached his knees, but luckily, sartorial etiquette of the day required jerseys to be "tucked in." He happily complied.

Early in a game that was already out of hand, his coach barked, "Jackson, get out there and try to catch a pass." On the next play, the ball hit Don squarely on the "88," and the defensive brute flattened him a split second later. Somehow, the ball remained enshrouded in Don's jersey, first down yardage was picked up, and he was able to hobble to the sideline without assistance. The public address announcer stumbled, saying the pass



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by don newbury

was "caught by double-zero, a number not listed in the game program." There was good reason; only the top half of the "two 8's" remained visible. The bottom half of the numbers had been knocked further downward into Don's pants.

He turned in his uniform the next day, getting an early start on a multifaceted career that included distinction as a biology professor, registrar, and academic officer at Howard Payne University. He also was an accomplished artist, furniture maker, and taxidermist who was granted two patents for "do-it-yourself" taxidermy techniques still used by many individuals, as well as a major Louisiana museum....

Another vignette involved him and his identical twin brother, also a teacher. They both "taught"–nay, endured – a clearly unmotivated student. First, the lad tangled with Thomas Ronald Jackson, Don's twin, a Beaumont High School teacher. The troubled youngster then lived with his grandparents in LaMarque, where he'd "get a fresh start." He was assigned to Don Jackson's biology class there. "Just my luck," he protested, "Mr. Jackson followed me!"

Don died in 2005 at age 69, and his widow, a retired HPU faculty member, still lives in Brown County. Don's twin, Thomas Ronald, and his wife are Deer Park retirees.

Dozens of other "Jackson stories" will be shared in later columns....

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Brodbeck was a pioneer of air travel

Jacob Brodbeck was an early pioneer of air travel.

Credit for the first successful powered flight of a heavier-than-air craft has been awarded to the Wright Brothers for their experiment at Kitty Hawk in 1903. Also recognized is a brief earlier flight by Professor Samuel Pierpont Langley in 1896. But it seems to have been forgotten that a German-born Texan named Jacob Brodbeck preceded both the Wrights and Langley by making a similar flight just outside of San Antonio in 1865.

A quiet little schoolmaster, Brodbeck was a dreamer and an inventor. Before leaving Germany, he designed a clock that supposedly would run without winding. After arriving in Texas, he assuaged his fascination with the challenge of air-borne transportation by designing a man-sized airplane. Brodbeck's design used partly movable

wings, a rudder, an enclosed cockpit, and a screw propeller powered by a clock-like coil spring.

Brodbeck built a succession of models and successfully demonstrated them at county fairs in San Antonio, Fredericksburg, New Braunfels, and other surrounding communities. In so doing, he succeeded in attracting financial backers for his full-scale experiment. The principal backer was a Dr. Ferdinand Herff, a wealthy physician who gained local fame by being the first doctor in San Antonio to use ether in his surgical procedures.

Completing his "man-sized" plane late in 1865, Brodbeck, his backers, and



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by george u. hubbard

a large crowd of curiosity seekers gathered in a meadow outside of San Antonio. After readying his craft, Brodbeck gave the signal, and the plane left the ground, soared to the tree tops, and then crashed. The plane was wrecked, Brodbeck was injured, and the confidence of his backers was permanently destroyed. Brodbeck had assumed that the coil spring that powered the propeller could be rewound in flight by the pilot. He learned that it could not.

After recovering from his injuries, Brodbeck made many speeches throughout the United States trying to generate interest in his design, but without success. He finally retired to a farm near Fredericksburg where he lived out his remaining days.

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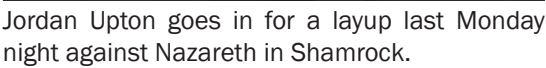
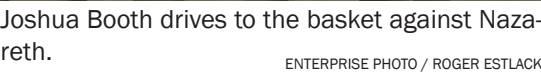
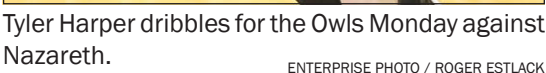
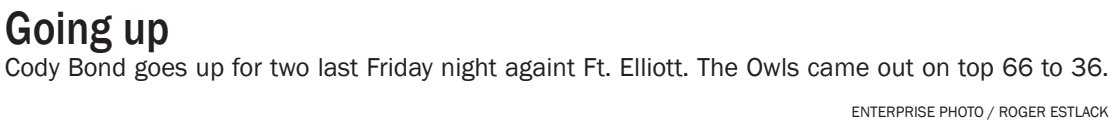


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The Hedley Owls won the Bi-District Championship last Friday, February 19, with a 66-36 win over Ft. Elliott in Shamrock.

The title victory marked Hedley's first playoff win since 2007, according to school officials.

The first quarter of play was close, but Hedley had at 18-15 lead. Hedley turned up the heat in the second quarter and held a 30-19 lead at the half.

The second half belonged to the Owls with Hedley racking up 36 points compared to their opponents' 17 points.

Joshua Booth led Hedley with 22 points. Also scoring were Cody Bond 10, Elijah Booth 9, Tyler Harper 8, Jordan Upton and Hayden Alston 6 each, Gray 5.

The Owls played Nazareth on Monday in Amarillo for the Area title but unfortunately came up short, 47-80.

Tyler Harper and Esteban Carron led the Owls with 11 points each. Also scoring were, J. Booth 8, Upton 6, E. Booth 5, Alston 3, and Bond 2.

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

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Thursday, Feb. 25 - Taco Salad
Friday, Feb. 26 - Fish
Saturday, Feb. 27 - No special
Sunday, Feb. 28 - Chicken & Dressing

Monday, March 1 - Meatloaf
Tuesday, March 2 - Chicken Spaghetti
Wednesday, March 3 - Chicken Fried Steak
Thursday, March 4 - Taco Salad

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¿Qué Pasa?

Community Calendar

February 26, 27 & 28
Tom & Jerry • Friday & Saturday 7:30 p.m. & Sunday 2:00 p.m. • Mulkey Theatre

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Menus

March 1 - 5

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Roast turkey, savory bread dressing, candied sweet potatoes, wheat roll, pineapple tidbits, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Baked ham, pineapple, lima beans, chuckwagon corn, wheat roll, chocolate chip cookie, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Beef goulash, navy beans, broccoli, wheat bread, oatmeal cookie, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: BBQ chicken, mashed potatoes, carrot raisin salad, cornbread, baked apple, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: King ranch casserole, Spanish rice, pinto beans, tortilla, brownie, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Jambalaya, carrots, black-eyed peas, cornbread, lazy cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, country gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, pumpkin square, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Polish sausage & cabbage, pinto beans, potato salad, cornbread, peaches, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Roast beef, baked potato w/ sour cream, buttered carrots, 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: Waffles, ham, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Tues: Breakfast taco, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Wed: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Thu: Cheesy toast, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Fri: Scrambled eggs, biscuit, gravy, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
Mon: Baked ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, milk.
Tues: Mexican casserole, beans, salad, fruit, milk.
Wed: Cheeseburger, lettuce, tomato, sweet potato fries, fruit, milk.
Thu: Pizza, salad, carrots, fruit, milk.
Fri: BBQ on a bun, coleslaw, broccoli bites, milk.

Hedley ISD
Breakfast
Mon: Sausage, egg, & cheese biscuit, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Tues: Taquito, scrambled eggs, hash brown, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Wed: Waffles, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Thu: Bagel, sausage link, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Fri: French toast, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
Mon: Steak fingers, potato wedges, gravy, carrot coins, strawberries, hot roll, milk.
Tues: Spaghetti bowl, corn, garden salad, fruit cup, breadstick, milk.
Wed: Boneless wings, mac n cheese, green beans, peaches, pudding, milk.
Thu: Sloppy Joes, thunder fries, veggie cup, pears, cookie, milk.
Fri: Popcorn chicken, beans, salad, applesauce, milk.

CISD Trustees vote to renew administrators

The Clarendon CISD Board of Trustees extended administrator contracts when they met in regular session February 8.

Following an hour and 47 minutes of deliberation in closed session, the board returned to open session to take action. The contracts of CHS Principal Larry Jeffers, CJH Principal Travis Victory, and Elementary Principal Cynthia Bessent, as well as Athletic Director Clint Conkin, were extended by two years. Trustees also extended by one year the contracts of Counselor Jenae Ashbrook and Federal Programs Director Jen Bellar.

In other school business, a public hearing was held on the 2019-2020 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR); and administrative reports were presented by Conkin, Bessent, Victory, Jeffers, Ashbrook, and Superintendent Jarod Bellar.

Trustees also approved tax deeds for Trust Property in the City of Howardwick as presented.



Helping neighbors
Hedley's Ernie Copelin has been called an angel in his community for the many things he does for others not because they ask but just because he sees something will help others and does it. Here Ernie is seen scrapping the parking lots at a local church.

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Snow leads to sledding action

Several days ago, we had a massive snow storm come through town, and it got school canceled for a week. So last Thursday my aunt Anndy invited me, my sister, and my friend Mason out to her house to play in the snow.

The first thing we did when we got there was we tied a sled to the back of the truck, and we pulled the sled down the road which was fun.

My friend went to do it, and he fell off twice. Then when I went, and I wanted to be brave, so I went on my stomach. I had snow fly all over me, and I had snow and



the cub reporter
by benjamin estlack

water frozen to my face because of how cold it was.

After we were done with the sled, we went to their pond and went sledding regularly which eventually spiraled into me and my cousins having a snowball fight.

I want to thank my aunt and uncle for letting us come out, and I can't wait for our next snowstorm.



Jentrye Bellar fights to take a shot last Wednesday against New Deal.

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Lady Broncos Kailee Osburn and Ashlyn Newsome fight for the ball against a Lady Lion.

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Finley Cunningham rebounds the ball for the Lady Broncos last Wednesday against New Deal.

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Lady Broncos end season with loss

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos gave it their all in the Area round of playoffs but fell short to New Deal at 35-48 last Thursday in Canyon.

The Lady Broncos struggled from the onset as they could not get anything to drop. However, the New Deal Lady Lions jumped out early and found their rhythm.

They were able to hold Clarendon to only two points in the first quarter, but the Lady Broncos began to get back in the game somewhat before half time.

Several missed free throws added to their trouble and a slow-scoring third quarter hindered them in their

chance for a comeback.

Junior Madi Smith finished with 12 points to lead the Lady Broncos on the scoreboard. Senior Ashlynn Crawford put in six as did Makenna Shadle, who went four for four from the bonus line. Jade Benson, who is normally a big scorer for the ladies, turned in four points, Finley Cunningham hit one three-pointer, and Jentry Bellar added two free throws.

Overall, the Lady Broncos finished third in their District and were Bi-District Champions. Seniors Jade Benson, Ashlynn Crawford, Kailee Osburn, and Kaylin Hicks will be missed.

Candidates: Continued from page one.

again: Rose Lemley – Place 1, Jeff Robertson – Place 2, and Melinda McAnear – Place 3.

Clarendon ISD Trustees Wayne Hardin and Wes Hatley will each serve three more years.

Hedley ISD incumbents Dana Bell and Carole Ward are returning for full terms. Bruce Howard will serve the one year is remaining on

the seat formerly held by Billy Hall, and, Shauna Herbert will serve out the two years remaining on Susan Cosby's term.

In Howardwick the terms of Mayor Tony Clemishire unopposed and Aldermen Johnny Floyd and Jada Murray will stay on the board.

At the City of Hedley Aldermen Alicia Hanes and Trisha Chambless

will return to the city council and be joined by Tom Carson.

The Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors had no one sign up to run for Chancy Cruse's seat in Precinct 5, which encompasses most of Donley County, so he will keep that position, the district said.



Golden Anniversary

The children of Jim and Nancy Fox are inviting the public to honor the couple on the occasion of their 50th wedding anniversary this weekend. Everyone is welcome to join the family during at the Sandell Drive-In at 10 a.m. this Sunday, February 28, during the worship service for the Howardwick Baptist Church.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Ancient Persian city

5. Spindles

11. Stake

12. Retrain

16. Close by

17. Commercial

18. One who publicly announces

19. American ballplayer

24. Junior's father

25. Go up or climb

26. Concern

27. When you hope to get there

28. Iacocca and Oswald are two

29. Plant of the lily family

30. Male college organization

31. National capital

33. Raccoonlike animal

34. Symbols of fertility
38. Astronomy unit

39. Series of ridges in anatomy

40. Hebrew leader

43. A portent of good or evil

44. Supreme goddess

45. Gelatinous substance

49. Engage in a contest

50. Famed ballplayer Ruth

51. Pledge

53. ___, denotes past

54. Revival

56. Spanish surname

58. Gold

59. Elsa's sister

60. Workplace

63. Large quantity of something

64. Engraved

65. Discount

CLUES DOWN

1. Shoe

2. Disquiet

3. Posture

4. Large nests

5. Soviet "Second Symphony" composer

6. Joins two pipes of different diameter

7. Exist

8. Overdose

9. Pleat of fabric

10. Predict the future

13. Burgeoning technology

14. Having made a valid will

15. Having no fixed course

20. __ route

21. Lethal dose

22. Indian musical pattern of notes

23. Athlete

27. Geological times

29. Atomic #21

30. In support of

31. Brew
32. Certificate of insurance

33. Taxi

34. Type of saying

35. For cigars

36. Phil __, former CIA

37. Local area network

38. Gym class

40. Philippine Island

41. Not great or bad

42. Eastern part of NY state

44. Gov't lawyers

45. Constructions

46. Former British gold coin

47. Unkeyed

48. Rechristen

50. Threaten persistently

51. Southeast

52. Cools your home

54. Removes the leaves

55. Regretted

57. Thut

61. Relief organization (abbr.)

62. Exclamation of surprise



Minor Boys Team 1: Madden Gay, Jae'Quan Weatherston, Caleb Askew, Rustin Wade, Case Zongker, Cutter O'Keefe, and Coach Rachel Wade.



Girls Team 3: Josie Murillo, Landry King, Ella Estlack, Jayla Woodard, Kynlyne Shelley, Alayna Tyree, Brilynn Bruce, Kennadi Gaither, Ja'Leiyah Moore (not pictured), and Coaches Julie Woodard and Kasi Gaither.



Major Boys Team 1: Klay Wilkins, Hudson Howard, Raydenn Thomas, Markeal Anderson, Ronan Howard, Braylon Rice (not pictured), and Coach Keith Floyd.



Major Boys Team 2: Aiden Morris, Caleb Herbert, Payton Inman, Ja'Zarien Moore, Brandon Moore, Kelel Morrow (not pictured) and Coaches Renee Mott and Phara Berry.



Minor Boys Team 3: Wade Fowler, Jacob Poeling, Braxton Gribble, Tyler Smith, Teagan Chessier, Eli Venegas and Coaches Meghan Gribble and Jade Gribble.



Minor Boys Team 2: Jeremiah Shelley, Ryder Drackley, Wyatt Devenney, Paxton English, Conner Holt, Branch Bell, Trigg Harper, and Coach Aaron Harper.



Girls Team 1: Kynleigh Roy's, Zoë Thompson, Kinley McClelland, Paylin Hodges, Emily D'Zamko, Nevaeh Jaramillo, Haven King, Ja'Zaria Moore (not pictured), Adleigh Moore (not pictured), and Coaches Chancey King and Martha Smith.



Major Boys Team 3: Parker Haynes, Kendon Hanes, Dakotah Jameson, Aiden Burnam, Bodhi Schlegelmilch, Hayden Moore (not pictured), and Coach Ty White.



Girls Team 2: Avorie Lindsey, Lilly Robinson, Addy Havens, Lexi Jantz, Makynna Williams, Karli Jones, Eli Rodriguez, Clara Wilkins (not pictured), D'Naysia Casey (not pictured) and Coach Jami Bebout Jones.

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Obituaries

Dupuy

Paul Joseph Dupuy Jr, 77, of Clarendon, passed away on Saturday, February 20, 2021, in Clarendon.

Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m. Saturday, February 27, 2021, at Robertson Funeral Directors Saint Roost Chapel in Clarendon with Rev. Lance Wood, pastor of First Baptist Church, officiating.

Cremation and arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Paul was born June 17, 1943 in Tampa, Florida to Paul and Haroldene Morris Dupuy. He had married Michelle Dechenaux on February 28, 2005 in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. Prior to moving to Clarendon in 2010, he had lived in Davie, Florida. Paul was an electrical engineer for ILA Longshoreman



Dupuy

and then drove a gas transport truck for Penn Tank Lines. He loved to fish and go out on the water. Paul could repair anything and everything, there was nothing he couldn't get fixed. More than anything, Paul loved his family, especially his nieces, nephews, and his grandkids. Paul was a Methodist. He was loved by everyone and will be greatly missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Stephen Dupuy; a brother, Louis Pierre Dupuy; and by two sisters, Sybil Isleen Worland and Emma Laura Thomas.

He is survived by his wife, Michelle Dupuy; five sons, Tim Dupuy, Kevin and Darrel Musick, Shaun Dechenaux, Justin Nahm; four daughters, Tampa Childress, Jennifer Dupuy, Crystal Lieb, Jessica Acquaro; two sisters, Janet Sonberg and Elizabeth Anne Smith; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren; and by numerous nieces and nephews.

The family requests memorials be sent to St. Jude, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105.

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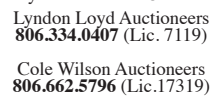
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Broncos ranked No. 2 in state

By Sandy Anderberg

Great defense wins games on the basketball court and solid free throw shooting helps in a pinch. The Broncos used the two in their favor as they won the Bi-District round over Sanford Fritch in Pampa last week at 87-47.

Four players landed in double figures at the end of the game, and the team finished at 73 percent from the bonus line.

The Broncos, ranked number two in the state, earned their spot against the Eagles by going undefeated in District play and winning the District Championship. Their solid offense and quickness on both ends of the court allowed the Broncos to take a commanding lead in the game and never look back. They were able to execute well enough that they built a 30-point lead at the break that hindered everything Fritch tried on the court.

Donovan Thompson and Sylvester Ballard both finished with 19 points in the game. Thompson hit two three-pointers, and Ballard was perfect from the bonus line. Jmaury Davis was unstoppable and ended with 18 points that included two for two from the free throw line. Cayden D'Costa added 11 points to the scoreboard with four two-pointers and one three.

Lamarcus Peniger jumped into action with nine, Lyric Smith put in four, and Jordan Herndon had two. Anthony Cenicerros hit one three-pointer and Jaxan McAnear helped with two.

As the Enterprise went to press, the Broncos were preparing to play Farwell for the Area title Tuesday night in Vega. Check Facebook.com/TheEnterprise for game results.

Broncos receive All-District honors

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Broncos football players were well represented in the All-District Teams for 2020. The players are nominated by the coaches and selection is made from the participating District teams.

Named the District MVPs were Marc Ramirez, Wellington and Hesson Marshall from Wheeler. The offensive MVP was Mason Folk, Wellington and John Ramirez from Wellington was named the Defensive MVP. Rhett Caison was one of five players to receive the Pride Award.

Clarendon players named to the first team defensive line was senior Ivan Gonzales and Jmaury Davis was named to the Outside Linebacker position and the Kicker. Lamarcus Peniger was selected as a secondary player.

On the offensive side of the ball, Davis also received honors for his play at the Running Back position and Punter and Peniger was named as a Wide Receiver. Koyt Tucek earned his way on the First Team from his Tight End position.

Named to the Second Team Defense was Aiden Caudle at Defensive End and Jordan Herndon for his Linebacker play. Robert McGuire was named as the Inside Linebacker and Tucek was noted for his Outside Linebacker spot. Aaron Roys was awarded for his play in the Secondary.

Herndon also received recognition on offense from his Running Back spot, and McGuire was honored for his play on the line.

Brock Hatley received an Honorable Mention at the Quarter Back spot, Cutter Goodpasture was noted at the Offensive Line position, and Josiah Howard played well at the Defensive Back position.

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Ethan Babcock takes a shot last week against the Sanford Fritch Eagles. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK



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Bronco Jmaury Davis goes up for two against the Eagles last week in Pampa. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK



Bronco Lamarcus Peniger sprints for a layup last Thursday against Sanford Fritch. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

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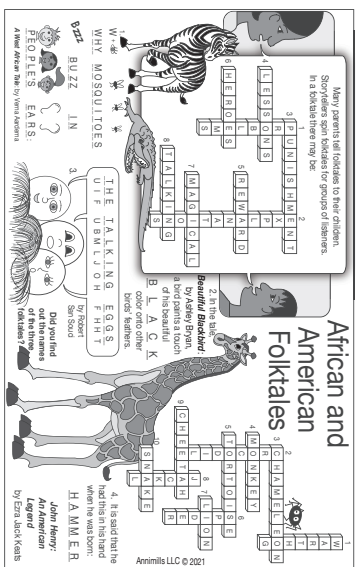
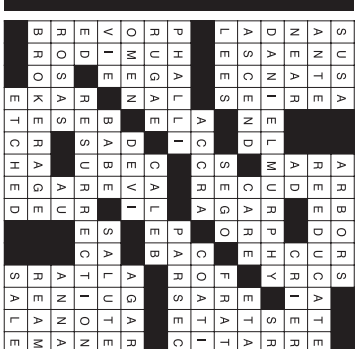
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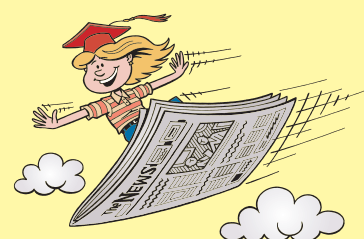
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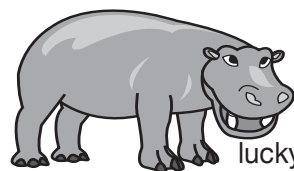
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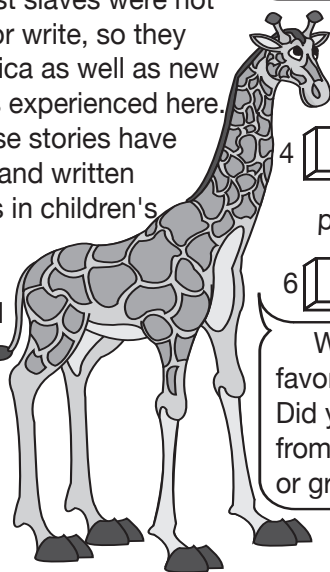


African and American Folktales



In America, we are
lucky to have folktales from
around the world. As people come here to
live, they bring stories they have
heard and shared before. These
stories tell about life and nature.
African Americans have a wealth
of folklore from Africa to share
with their families and others.
Some also share stories from their
history as slaves and free people
in America. Most slaves were not
taught to read or write, so they
told tales of Africa as well as new
stories of life as experienced here.

Many of these stories have
been collected and written
down. The tales in children's
story books are
beautifully
illustrated for all
to enjoy. Ask
a librarian for
help in finding
some of these
folktales...
you'll be glad
you did!



Many parents and grandparents tell folktales to
the children in their family. Storytellers spin them
for listeners of all ages. **A folktale may have:**

1. _____ solved
2. _____ of things that are hard to understand
3. _____ for an unkind person
4. _____ learned
5. a _____ for a good person
6. _____ who can overcome anything
7. _____ spells
8. _____ animals

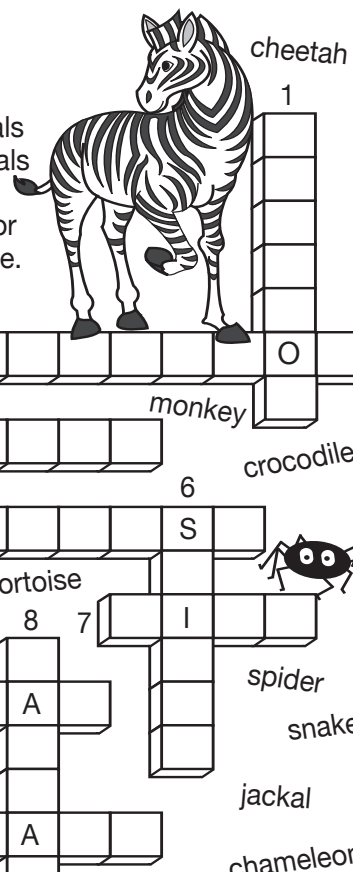
Folktales often use animals
to make a point. The animals
are used to show what
people are like or
how they behave.



A cat may
be sneaky.
A dog may be too
trusting and get tricked.

**Which animals
may be used to stand
for these traits?**

1. stubborn, fearful
2. misleading, gets others
to do what he wants
3. timid, loyal
4. playful, clever
5. wise, brave
6. tricky, greedy, lazy
7. proud, cruel
8. sneaky, clever
9. honorable, swift
10. patient, plotting





Ice bushes left behind after last week’s snow storm.

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Throwing boiling water in the very cold weather.

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Carson shields shoveling the sidewalk at the clinic.

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Bryce and Makynna Williams enjoy the snow.

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Matthew and Monroe Newhouse make angels in the snow.

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The birds and deer playing in the snow.

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Sledding in the snow last week.

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Kreed Robinson breaks ice last week.

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Nathan, Kinze, and Kase Zongker work to break ice.

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City of H’Wick appoints new municipal judge

The City of Howardwick has a new municipal judge following their regular meeting February 9.

Alderman Jerry Mullanax resigned his seat on the council and was appointed as the municipal judge.

Howardwick City Hall said Mullanax has completed his training and is properly certified to hold the office.

The council also approved motions to amend Chapter 12 of the city’s code of ordinances regarding minimum fines and fees the municipal court can set, and they also amended the city budget to provide funds for a computer and software for the municipal court.

Jada Murray, who had previously filed to run for city council, was appointed to fill the seat vacated by Mullanax.

In other city business, the council approved additional trust properties to be sold by the Texas Communities Group, and the budget amendment also covered electrical and plumbing expenses for the fire department addition.

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