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Clinic reports 38 active COVID cases

199 cases of COVID-19 confirmed at the Clarendon Family

That's almost 27 percent more than all of November and December combined. The clinic confirmed 72 positives in December and 85 cases in November.

The number of active cases on Monday was 38, according to clinic spokesperson Marsha Bruce. Two weeks ago the clinic

The actual numbers of Donley County residents with COVID-19 are believed to be much higher than the official report. Numbers reported by the clinic do not include residents who test positive outside of Donley County or who test posi-

Historical board seeking members

few seats are open on the commission board. The commission recommends locations or subjects for state historical markers and helps maintain the existing markers in the county. Meetings are held quarterly.

ing on the DCHC can call Word at 806-277-0246 for more information.

Chamber awards deadline is Friday

The deadline to nominate local citizens for Chamber Awards is this Friday, February 4.

Nominations are being sought for Man of the Year and Woman of the Year, and the lifetime service Saints' Roost Award.

Nominations can be mailed to the Chamber at PO Box 986, Clarendon, TX 79226, or delivered to the Visitor Center inside the Mulkey Theatre. Emailed nominations can be sent to Chamber@ClarendonTX.com.

This year's awards banquet, originally set for February 10, has been rescheduled for March 31 due to the recent COVID-19 surge in Donley County.



TDA okays downtown grant for Clarendon

Kearney Street.

City Administrator David Dockery said of \$63,100 for a total project of \$413,100.

for a Downtown Revitalization grant to Regional Planning Commission and the proj-during the project. improve sidewalks, ramping, and lighting on ect engineer, Che Shadle of OJD Engineering, to determine the next steps in the project.

the fully executed agreement with the Texas affected property owners sometime after Feb-Department of Agriculture was received ruary 10 to discuss the process and plans for Clarendon. That project, under the direction of ing how best to use \$480,000 in CARES act Monday, with TDA providing \$350,000 for the the project. Dockery said the city will visit Brandt Engineering, requires a \$35,600 match project and the city supplying matching funds with property owners about the project's from the city. required compliance with the American's with Dockery said he has been in contact Disabilities Act, safety concerns, and expected proposals for street improvements on Seventh in to street repairs.

RUNCUS

The City of Clarendon has been approved with the grant administrator at the Panhandle disruptions to parking and building access Street east of Koogle Street. That area has been

City officials have also been notified of final approval for a Community Develop-City officials will hold a meeting with ment Block Grant that will provide \$350,000 for a new wastewater lift station in northeast

plagued by drainage issues for years, and the city intends to put concrete paving there similar to what was installed along the ballparks on Sixth Street.

City officials are also still consider-(COVID relief) funds. No official determination has been made, but Dockery said the city Dockery said city officials are also taking council is leaning towards putting those funds

The month of January saw

Medical Center.

was treating 101 active cases.

tive at home.

The Donley County Historical Commission is looking for a few good citizens with an interest in preserving local history.

Chairman Bill Word says a

Anyone interested in serv-

Score!

by April 15, 2022.

all the taxable property you owned report of decreased value to notify or controlled on January 1 of this the appraisal district of significant year. Property includes inventory depreciation of your property. For and equipment used by a business. example, if your property was dam-Owners do not have to render exempt aged by a storm, flood, or fire last property such as church property or year, you should file a report of regulated properties.

The appraisal district may use dition to set property values.

Property owners can also file a

If you own tangible personal an agriculture producer's equipment decreased value. The appraisal district will look at your property before imposed if a rendition is filed late, rendering property, deadline extenassigning a value.

tions must be filed after January 1 and no later than April 15. Different deadlines apply in certain appraisal districts. A property owner may apply, in writing, for a mandatory extension to May 15.

Savage announced her candi-Ashley Savage of Clarendon, age dacy for the office of Justice of the Peace for Precincts 1&2 in Novem-Assault with Bodily Injury, which ber and will appear on the Republican Primary ballot on March 1. Savage told the Enterprise Tuesday afternoon that she has not been convicted of anything and

released on a bond of \$2,000.

the JP race but "not in time." Donley County Republican Sixth Street during a gathering of Party Chair Bill Word said the deadline for withdrawing as a can-The sheriff said his office didate was December 14, 2021.

If convicted, Savage could face a maximum \$4,000 fine and up Savage turned herself in to to one year in county jail, the sher-

County JP candidate faces assault charge

A candidate for Donley ing after a warrant was issued for County Justice of the Peace was her arrest on Monday. She was arrested Tuesday morning fol- arraigned by Precinct 3&4 Justice lowing an alleged assault over the of the Peace Pat White and later

Sheriff Butch Blackburn said 37, was arrested and charged with is a Class A Misdemeanor.

Blackburn said his office received a complaint Saturday about an incident that reportedly occurred earlier that morning after said that she had withdrawn from midnight. The assault reportedly took place in the 100 block of E. friends, the sheriff said.

talked to witnesses and is not investigating the matter further.

the sheriff's office Tuesday morn- iff's office said.

County GOP to hold forum for local candidates Feb. 10

The Donley County Republicounty office on Thursday, Februbeing challenged by Brad Dalton. ary 10, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Bairfield Activity Center.

are being sought by Republicans.

are running for the Justice of the the Peace Pat White. Peace of Precincts 1 and 2. Incumoffice last month.

The other competitive race on can Party will host a Meet & Greet this year's ballot will be Precinct 4 with the Republican candidates for Commissioner Dan Sawyer, who is

Other positions are uncontested and those candidates are The county positions this year Judge John Howard, Treasurer Wanda Smith, Clerk Vicky Tunnell, Sarah Hatley, Connie Lane Precinct 2 Commissioner Daniel Ashley Savage, and Kristen Taylor Ford, and Precinct 3 & 4 Justice of

Randy Bond is also running bent JP Pam Mason resigned her for Constable of Precincts 3&4, a position that is currently vacant.

Appraisal District issues reminder on renditions

property that is used to produce used for farming. income, you must file a rendition with the Donley Appraisal District the information submitted in the ren-

A rendition is a report that lists

Jmaury Davis goes up for two points during the Broncos' game against Panhandle last week. For complete game details, see our report on page six of this week's Enterprise. COURTESY PHOTO / ADELITA ELAM

Different deadlines apply for

A 10 percent penalty may be owner for each type of property.

is incomplete, or not at all. Property sions, penalties and rendition forms, For most property types, rendi- owners who need more time to file taxpayers may contact the Donley their renditions may file a written Appraisal District at 304 S Kearrequest with the chief appraiser on ney, Clarendon TX or call 806-874or before the rendition deadline to 2744. Information is also available at receive an automatic extension. The www.donleycad.org. You may also chief appraiser may extend the dead- find information on the state compline another 15 days for good cause troller's property tax assistance divishown in writing by the property sion's website at comptroller.texas. gov/taxes/property-tax/.

Jackson urges USDA to administer approved aid

This week, Representative Ronny Jackson (R-Amarillo) sent a such as language Jackson authored letter with bipartisan support to Sec- to extend the Wildfire Hurricane retary Vilsack of the U.S. Depart- Indemnity Program Plus (WHIP+), ment of Agriculture (USDA) urging provide critical resources to Texas ag him to administer disaster relief aid producers who help feed and clothe programs that were approved by Congress last year.

authorized supplemental disaster statement from Jackson. relief for agricultural producers who suffered weather-related, cata- RESTORE Act to provide critical strophic losses in 2020 and 2021.

These reauthorized programs, the world. As of January 2022, the

"Last year, I introduced the disaster relief assistance to hard-

working Texas farmers who've seen yet to administer the WHIP+ pro- "Unfortunately, USDA has failed basis to include language from the USDA has yet to administer the RESTORE Act in a larger disaster In September 2021, Congress WHIP+ program, according to a relief bill for farmers; namely, to also urged the USDA to act. extend the WHIP+ program. It was a great accomplishment to see this bill

signed into law.

their livelihoods crushed by extreme gram, depriving our farmers of the to provide any information about weather conditions like the unprec- resources Congress made available edented winter storm and excessive to them," Jackson said. "The legisladrought," Jackson said. "I worked tive branch did its job, and it is past last year, producers have endured with my colleagues on a bipartisan time the executive branch followed labor shortages, skyrocketing input

"Congress worked in historic, bipartisan fashion to authorize \$10 billion in disaster relief for our agri-"The Biden Administration has culture producers," Arrington said.

their plan or timeline for distributing this critical assistance. Over the costs, barriers to global markets Rep. Jodey Arrington (TX-19) due to supply chain congestion, and severe weather. I am proud to lead this bipartisan letter with my Texas colleagues urging USDA to immediately address delays in access to

SEE PAGE 8 FOR DETAILS!

an education

By Dr. Walter Wendler

There is something powerful about coming from behind - being an underdog. Students who are first-infamily to attend college, single parents, the offspring of immigrants or students of diverse backgrounds whose parents may have not typically attended college are in a tough place. These are underdogs in the process of gaining a college education that opens doors of opportunity otherwise locked tight. Accessibility provides an opportunity for those willing to work hard and commit energy and effort to a long-term goal of changing the trajectory of themselves and their family. Accessibility clouded by debt diminishes the true power of opportunity for too many.

Nobody is surprised when a student has a 30 on the ACT, finishes in the top ten percent of their high school class, and graduates from a university in four years. Expectations have been set and met. The university should challenge gifted students to even greater attainment every step of the way.

On the other hand, when a student struggles into the university, comes from "adverse" circumstances of one or more types, has a poor history of performance, or has produced little evidence that they will succeed – in short, is an underdog – we need to rejoice especially loudly when they start and finish, particularly with low or no debt. Positive impact for all comes from the student's heart despite circumstances. Heart, determination, spit, grit and a sense of purpose are always bigger than circumstance. The constructive outcome of the study is diminished by over-borrowing, especially for study that provides little employment opportunity. The effectiveness of the educational process is dimmed, deadened or drained dry by debt.

A university president I worked with for several years was the champion of a whole community of underdogs. I led a planning exercise for a group of universities to help make them more responsive to their identified missions. As the campus leader, the president created a mission and support organization for the students who were educational underdogs. He was tough, too. He expected commitment from students.

One day he described the campus environment to me through a series of statistical insights presented with an overhead projector: you know, those old things that we used to show "transparencies." You can't find overhead projectors around anymore, and the rarity of the tool is exceeded only by the rarity of transparency in contemporary society.

He had a slide showing the average family income of his entering students (he always referred to the students as "his" students). This was a good sign to me. He felt personal responsibility, not an assignment choked by bureaucratic attention to processes and rules.

He cared deeply.

The average family income of entering students was less than \$30,000. Several slides later, he plotted the starting salary of graduates. The average was over \$30,000. It hit me like a brick. This institution was providing the opportunity for a student, in four short years, to outperform the entire family that bid the freshman farewell at the college gate. While certainly not the only benefit of a college education, earning capacity is an irrefutable requirement for institution and students alike when encumbered by debt.

Through power and focus, these underdogs were winning a race. Those that tirelessly remind others that a good, well-paying job is not a central aspect of a university education are boring. Everyone who makes that claim is at or above median family income. Educational underdogs don't typically think that way.

In misguided efforts to grow for the sake of growth, to appear to be serving many by opening the doors to those who are unprepared, simply because they can borrow, tragedy follows without a concomitant investment to help and support students. Otherwise, a student may spend a year or two toying with the university and its social and intellectual opportunities while accumulating substantial debt. And in the end, the student walks away with little to show but debt and some college credits.

The burden of debt and failure is a powerful onetwo punch that should be overcome with transparency and a course of action to help underdogs come from behind.

Walter V. Wendler is President of West Texas A&M University. His weekly columns are available at https:// walterwendler.com/.



Goats, guitars, and gushers in Texas

When B.J. Mayo uses his mouth to call goats, the animals stop what they're doing, turn toward his voice, bleat back and seemingly wait for further instructions. His call is legendary and sounds like a goat practicing for a debut at Carnegie Hall. It is musical.

When he's not at his ranch near San Angelo dealing with livestock (mostly cattle these days) you might find him at a western hootenanny in Arkansas playing guitar and singing. He is versatile with all elements of his life. For years he spent time in Africa, Bangladesh, Australia and other places around the globe working in petroleum. He is still in that line of work as a consultant, traveling all over the state dealing with oil wells. No wonder. His early years were spent in an oil company field camp 25 miles from the nearest town.

Bob, as he is called by his friends in the oil patch, has always kept a good account of his life experiences. If he didn't write them down in a journal he is able to recall the ones that influenced

BJ started writing books a few years ago. "I have 26 novels structured," he says. "The material is end-

three going on right now, two of them westerns. I really enjoy it. I've traveled so much and have met so many characters, each with



different personalities and from different cultures." He writes just one day a week. That's Sunday after church, a trip to Dairy Queen and a nap. "When the material comes to me when I'm in a writing mode, it comes very quick and is fully loaded. I may write for 6 or 7 hours straight. It takes no effort. It just flows. Bob has torn down an old building and is using the lumber to build a writing studio on his ranch.

His first novel is *Alfie Carter*, about a young African girl who is the only survivor of her war-ravaged village in Angola. She witnesses a brutal massacre by guerrilla boy soldiers. She uses her intelligence and bravado to find her way to the United States where a family

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adopts her and she becomes a lawyer. Skyhorse Publishing, a division of

His second book is *The Spar*rows of Montenegro, one of Simon and Schuster's new releases for 2022. "It's a western and is fairly graphic in nature. I don't recommend reading it at night. It covers a lot of ground from Ojinaga, Mexico, to Mushaway Mountain in Borden County during the 1870 time frame." The book has soldiers, cowboys, Indians, a ranch and a Mexican Village. "The Sparrows have a specific meaning to the women and children of this little village. It also goes deep into the Mexican culture." The book shows the brutality of some of the frontier justice. He calls this book historical fiction. "I don't really care much for non-fiction. It's too confining to realism and to specific dates, which can be called into question. I have a historical context in most of my books."

SPARROWS is in Japan, Australia, UK, everywhere Simon and Schuster sells books. It's also available on Amazon, Wal-Mart, Target and Barnes and Noble.

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Justice delayed due to court backlog

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The COVID-19 pandemic has affected virtually every facet of state government, and Texas' criminal courts are no exception.

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In an average pre-pandemic week, 186 criminal jury trials would be held across Texas. That figure dropped to an average of four per week in 2020, despite many courts using virtual hearings and socially distanced proceedings. The latest surge has continued to cancel jury trials in some jurisdictions.

The tens of thousands of unheard cases resulted in a historic backlog so severe that it could take up to five years to return to pre-pandemic case levels undermining the fundamental American right to a speedy trial for defendants and resolution for victims.

A workable solution requires acknowledging problems in our criminal docket that pre-date the pandemic. The nationally accepted standard is that no more than 2 percent of felony cases should take longer than one year. Before the pandemic, 20 percent of criminal cases in district courts were older than the one-year benchmark by the time they were concluded. By June 2021, nearly 35 percent of all cases were over a year old, and more than half of the criminal docket was older than standards say they should be.

In short, it takes longer to resolve the most serious cases. Delays in criminal cases have caused overcrowding in

county jails across Texas as defendants wait for trial. As of January 1, 47,312 Texans were waiting for trial in county jails – a 21 percent increase over January 2016 and the second-highest monthly figure over the same period.

And pretrial detention has a broad economic impact. For example, a study published by the Brookings Institute last March found that an increase in county pretrial detention rates was associated with increased poverty for the incarcerated and their families and decreased employment rates, something Texas cannot afford in a tight labor market. This is partly because defendants who are held longer are more likely to get convicted and sentenced regardless of their actual guilt, see worse earnings and employment outcomes, and experience higher recidivism rates.

For defendants who can obtain pretrial release, the delayed trial could increase costs for extended pretrial services in some counties and leave them in legal limbo as they wait for trial, or in the worst cases, they might get arrested for a subsequent offense.

To overcome this problem requires state and local agencies to dedicate more people and more resources and to better coordinate efforts across jurisdictions.

More people mean more judges, specifically eligible retired judges, to process incoming cases while elected judges address the long list of pending jury trials. It also means more staff to

support those judges and provide vital court services like language interpreters and court reporters.

More resources means leveraging today's technology. While not every criminal proceeding can fairly or efficiently translate to a virtual setting, IT solutions should be deployed for routine appearances by attorneys and hearings on purely legal issues where defendants? rights are not immediately at stake. This requires software licenses and hardware like webcams along with necessary tech support for court staff, lawyers, and the defendants and witnesses themselves.

Coordination means alignment between the Office of Court Administration and the counties where the backlogs are most severe. The Texas Legislature recently made a down payment on supporting additional judges, staff, and technology. State and local governments need to work together to target the people and resources where they can have the greatest impact.

The constitutional right to a speedy trial reflects concerns of fairness on the part of the accused, but it also reflects a societal interest - we all benefit from the prompt disposition of criminal justice by

our courts. To strengthen the legal system, and likely save money in the process, Texas should deploy the resources necessary to break the backlog of criminal cases. Luis Soberon is a Policy Advisor at Texas

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Red Cross offers ways to stay safe during cold temps

challenges to people faced with to sleep. bitter cold, snow and ice. The American Red Cross has steps you should take to stay safe if you are in the path taking the following precautions: of winter storms.

area," said Keith Rhodes, Regional Executive of the American Red Cross of North Texas. "Whether trying to keep your home warm or having to be outside in the coldest hours, you can follow these steps to and household chemicals up out of hair dryer, a portable space heater keep your home and family safe."

Heat Your Home Safely

people resort to space heaters and other sources to keep their homes warm. To reduce the risk of heating related fires, the Red Cross recommends these steps (More home fire safety information available here):

All heaters need space. Keep children, pets and things that can burn (paper, matches, bedding, furniture, clothing, carpets, and rugs) equipment.

If you must use a space heater, floor), not on rugs, carpets or near no lower than 55° F. bedding or drapes. Plug power cords extension cord.

place unattended and use a glass or metal fire screen to keep fire and embers in the fireplace.

oven to heat your home.

Never use a cooking range or

Winter weather poses unique every time you leave the room or go include against exterior walls or

Water Pipe Safety Protect pipes from freezing by

Open kitchen and bathroom cabinet doors to allow warmer air to circulate around the plumbing. Be pipe using an electric heating pad sure to move any harmful cleaners the reach of children.

It's that time of year when many outside, let the cold water drip from towels soaked in hot water. Do not the faucet served by exposed pipes. use a blowtorch, kerosene or pro-Running water through the pipe - pane heater, charcoal stove, or other even at a trickle - helps prevent pipes open flame device. from freezing.

same temperature both during the pipe, call a licensed plumber. day and at night. By temporarily suspending the use of lower night- home to find out if you have additime temperatures, you may incur a tional frozen pipes. If one pipe higher heating bill, but you can preat least three feet away from heating vent a much more costly repair job if pipes freeze and burst.

If you will be going away place it on a level, hard and nonflam- during cold weather, leave the heat cially elderly people living alone, mable surface (such as ceramic tile on in your home, set to a temperature people with disabilities and children.

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gested to help pipes thaw:

If you turn on a faucet and only a trickle comes out, suspect a frozen the weather service as well as the Turn off portable space heaters pipe. Likely places for frozen pipes State of Texas.

where your water service enters your home through the foundation.

Keep the faucet open. As you treat the frozen pipe and the frozen Keep garage doors closed if area begins to melt, water will begin "Cold weather is impacting our there are water supply lines in the to flow through the frozen area. Running water through the pipe will help melt ice in the pipe.

Apply heat to the section of wrapped around the pipe, an electric (kept away from flammable mate-When the weather is very cold rials), or by wrapping pipes with

Apply heat until full water pres-Keep the thermostat set to the sure is restored. If you can't thaw the

> Check all other faucets in your freezes, others may freeze, too.

Stay Safe During Winter

Check on your neighbors, espe-

Bring pets indoors. If they can't

Ramps, bridges and overpasses The following steps are sug- freeze before roadways. Use caution if you must travel!

See additional tips https:// come inside, make sure they have directly into outlets - never into an www.redcross.org/get-help/how- enough shelter to keep them warm to-prepare-for-emergencies/types- and that they can get to unfrozen Never leave a fire in the fire- of-emergencies/winter-storm/ water.

Follow recommendations from

TxDOT reminds candidates of rules for signs

the Texas Department of Transportabegins and ends.

It is illegal to place any signs TxDOT office. on or within the right of way. This includes posting signs on trees, tele- as early as 90 days before an election way. For other questions concerning phone poles, traffic signs and other (no earlier) and must be removed campaign signs or political advertisobjects on the right of way.

Campaign signs along Texas

landscape blooms with a special kind erty with the owner's permission. of flower – the political sign. Unlike Keep in mind that if the owner's wildflowers that are welcome any- property is adjacent to a state-main- in the right of way or if it is posing where, putting campaign signs on tained roadway, it is their responsi- a traffic hazard, the department will public lands is illegal, according to bility to know where the right of way

Unsure? Contact your local

within 10 days after the election.

Before placing a sign inside of Commission.

During campaign season, the roads can be placed on private prop- incorporated city limits, check with the city for applicable ordinances.

> TxDOT says if a sign is placed remove it without prior notice. All costs associated with sign removal will be paid by the sign owner.

TxDOT only controls the place-Campaign signs may be posted ment of signs in relation to the highing, you may visit the Texas Ethics

USDA-NRCS Texas announces deadline for applications

tions received after February 28, plan to help you meet those goals. 2022, will be considered for future CSP application sign ups.

While the Natural Resources their existing conservation efforts CSP-Renewal sign up will be March Service (NRCS) while strengthening their operation. 31, 2022. continuously accepts applications CSP participants earn an annual paythroughout the year, interested applion conservation and stewardship. February 28, 2022, for the 2022-1 resiliency, or develop wildlife habi-CSP Classic sign up. Any applica- tat, NRCS can custom design a CSP

holders whose contracts are expir-

Special provisions are available for enrollment into the Conserva- ment for five years which enables for historically underserved production Stewardship Program (CSP) them to achieve a greater level ers, which include those considered beginning, socially disadvantaged cants must submit their applications Whether you are looking to improve and limited resource as well as milito their local NRCS field office by grazing conditions, increase crop tary veterans. These producers are targeted funds.

Interested producers should contact and submit these applica-For existing CSP contracts tions to their local NRCS office by the deadlines listed above. For more CSP helps farmers, ranchers, ing in 2022, the deadline to submit information about CSP-Renewals,



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MY NAME IS SARAH HATLEY, and I am running to serve as your Justice of the Peace for Precincts 1 & 2.

As a lifelong resident of Donley County for 39 years, I know most of you, but I would like you to know more about me as I ask for your support in the upcoming election.

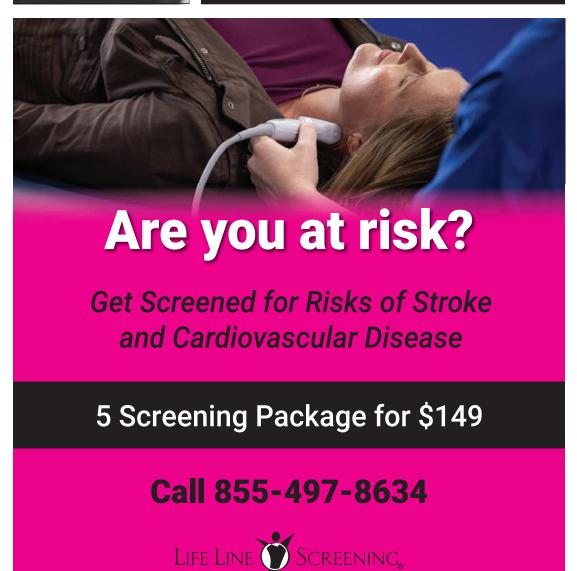
My husband and I have deep roots in our community. My grandparents were JoAnn & Ralph Grady and Bob & Joan Kidd, and my parents are Bobbie & Missy Kidd. My husband, Jeff, is the son of Kirby & Melissa Hatley. We have two kids, Kasen, age 15, and Kinslee, age 13.

I graduated from Clarendon High School in 2001 and earned my bachelor's degree from West Texas A&M University in 2012. I have taught for ten years at Memphis and Clarendon ISDs. I am a member of the First United Methodist Church and have served as a member of the Donley County Child Welfare Board.

The proper administration of the office of the Justice of the Peace is a vital part of county government and must be performed with the utmost care and a dedication to fairness.

I would appreciate your support and influence in the upcoming Republican Primary. Early voting begins February 14 at the Donley County Courthouse Annex. Election Day is March 1.







Community Calendar

February 4

Clarendon Broncos & Clarendon Lady Broncos v. Shamrock • Away • 6:30 & 8:00 p.m.

February 4 & 5

Moonfall • 7:30 p.m. • Mulkey The-

February 6

Moonfall • 2:00 p.m. • Mulkey The-

February 8

Clarendon Broncos & Clarendon Lady Broncos v. Memphis • Home • 6:30 & 8:00 p.m

February 11 Covid-19 Vaccinations • 11:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m. • Howardwick Community

February 11

Center

Clarendon Broncos v. Panhandle • Home • 6:30 p.m.



Jan. 31 - Feb 4

Donley County Senior Citizens Mon: Chicken tenders, gravy, turnip greens, wheat roll, mandarin oranges, iced tea/2% milk. Tue: Goulash, lima beans, green salad, wheat roll, fruit & oatmeal

bar, iced tea/2% milk. Wed: Pork loin, gravy, black-eyed peas, spinach, cornbread, baked apple, iced tea/2% milk.

Thu: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, Italian veggies/broccoli, garlic toast, Autumn Jello, iced tea/2%

Fri: Baked fish/lemon, whole kernel corn, coleslaw, hushpuppies, cherry crisp, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Salmon patties, scalloped potatoes, green peas, tossed vegetable salad, wheat roll, peach-apple crisp, iced tea/2%

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

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

Thu: Baked chicken breast, baked potato/sour cream, peas, pineapple tidbits, 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: Cereal, toast, fruit juice, fruit. milk.

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

Wed: Scrambled eggs, ham, biscuit & gravy, fruit juice, fruit, milk. Thu: Breakfast bread, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Fri: Pancakes, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch

Mon: Nachos, beans, corn, salsa, fruit, milk.

Tues: Chicken n waffles, potatoes, veggie cup, fruit, milk.

Wed: Chicken nuggets, man & cheese, carrots, squash, fruit, milk.

Thu: Cheeseburger, chips, lettuce, tomato, fruit, milk. Fri: Philly cheesesteak sandwich.

corn, cucumbers, fruit, milk.

Hedley ISD

Breakfast

Mon: Pancake on a stick, fruit iuice, fruit, milk,

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

Wed: Waffles & sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

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

Fri: Oatmeal, cinnamon toast,

fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch

Mon: Breaded drumstick, biscuit, garden salad, tomatoes, fruit, milk.

Tues: Frito pie, beans, fresh veggie cup, pineapple, rice crispy, fruit, milk.

Wed: Cheesy breadsticks, broccoli, marinara sauce, cinnamon apples, fruit, milk.

Thu: Boneless chicken wings, chips, celery, carrots, mixed fruit, sherbet, fruit, milk.

Fri: Steak fingers, roll, green beans, corn, peaches, fruit, milk.

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Looking for a new favorite Olympian

Monday was the last day of Jan-pics in China. uary 2022 with many things packed into the short month of February, enjoy beginning with Groundhog Day on Olympics,

hog sees his shadow on Feb 2 skating. Dorbecause of clear weather we will othy Hamill have six more weeks of winter. This was one of year our forecast for that day is blus- my favorites tery, cloudy with snow showers so of by-gone this could be a forecast for an early

Feb. 3 begins the winter Olym-

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days, and I look forward to a new lots to watch on TV. favorite this year.

Then, after the Olympics comes

the Super Bowl on February 13. This year the Cincinnati Bengals and Los Angles Rams will be fighting it out. Next year, Cowboys!

Next is Valentines' Day on the 14th. Don't forget your sweetheart. President's Day is in there also, a three-day weekend with many people planning a ski trip to New Mexico or Colorado.

So have fun this month; there's

Tran issued the following statement cohesively and promptly to help application found on the Secretary of in response to reports of widespread voters cure their applications so that State or local election officials' webrejections of mail-in ballot appli- they can vote as they desire. cations in advance of the March 1 Texas Primary election:

ted to ensuring that voters have the with the information and opportuinformation and tools necessary to nity they need to ensure their votes exercise their right to vote, whether count. With the March 1 primary fast they vote in-person, by early voting, approaching, it is crucial that elecor vote by mail. It is extremely tion officials take urgent action to ing numbers different than voters' concerning to hear reports of a sig- help voters meet vote-by-mail applinificant percentage of mail in ballot cation requirements. applications being rejected in many of our largest counties.

AARP concerned over ballot application rejections

"Voters 65 and older and other voters who qualify to vote by mail "AARP is deeply commit- under current law must be supplied

It is imperative that state and must submit a new application by the aarp.org/txvotes

AARP Texas Director Tina local election officials work together February 18 deadline. The current site. In addition, applicants must provide a valid driver license number or the last four digits of their Social Security number to match their voter registration record.

Reports indicate that many ballot applications are being rejected because of applications displayrecords."

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Lady Colts clean up on Memphis

their wins look easy in their last regular season game at home against Memphis. The seventh grade Lady scoreboard won 30-7 and the eighth grade ended with a 55-2 win with two players in double figures.

points at the break. Offensively, their execution was on point, as they were

₹the lion's tale

The Clarendon Lions Club held

We had 12 members and no

Lion Scarlet Estlack reported

Lion David Dockery reported

on the college where they are prepar-

ing for the winter storm and base-

ball and softball games are playing

the city is busy prepping vehicles

and water meters for the storm and

said the city has received a grant for

downtown revitalization. A street

improvement project at Seventh and

Koogle is also in the works. Life-

guard applications are being taken

Lion Sandy Childress reported

at City Hall and must be 16 or over.

on The 'Wick where they are bur-

rowing in for the storm, and she

expressed thanks for Lion Ashlee's

paint party Sunday at the community

tors are working on the courthouse

repairs. It was also reported that the

high school will have a blood drive

February 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in

the Chamber is looking for a new

manager. Applications are available

ness, we were adjourned to spread

Owls fall to

Valley 34-46

fought match on the road last Friday

evenly matched with Valley leading by just one point at the end of the

first quarter, but the Owls went cold

in the second quarter and put in only one bucket while the Patriots scored

break, the Owls continued to stay

on the heels of Valley but could not

overcome their opponents, losing the

points, followed by E. Booth with

Coming back from the halftime

J. Booth led Hedley with 16

The Hedley Owls lost a hard-

The game started out almost

Lion Ashlee Estlack reported

There being no further busi-

the technology room.

at the Visitor Center.

at Valley.

seven points.

game 34-46.

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its regular Tuesday noon meeting

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Landon Lambert in charge.

guests this week.

Friday.

center there.

by russell estlack

Both Lady Colt teams made effort was strong as they held their convert those takeaways into points. opponent to single digits.

Woodard put in 10 points and Kinslee Hatley added eight. Cam-Colts led by Jayla Woodard on the bree Smith and Anna Balogh put in six points each in the win.

The seventh grade Lady Colts double figures in the eighth grade took control early and led by 15 Lady Colts' win at 55-2. Moore put in 13 points while Hayes helped with 10. Strong out of the box, the ladies able to score at will. Their defensive were able to get steal after steal and

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They were solid on offense as they were able to execute and take advantage of easy shots.

Graci Ellis played strong and finished with nine points that Berkley Moore and Kenidee included a three-pointer. Whit-Hayes led the way finishing in ney Williams had six and Kashlyn Conkin hit one from the arc for five. Presley Smith and Madi Benson ended with four each, Elliot Frausto and Mary Jo Dushay put in two each in the win.

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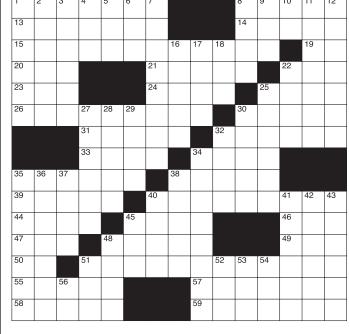
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- 1. de Mornay, actress
- 8. Surrenders
- 13. Omission 14. The white poplar
- 15. They become butterflies
- 19. Used to chop 20. Select
- 21. Volcanic craters
- 22. Consumer price index
- 23. Utilize 24. "True Blood" actress Paquin
- 25. Got up
- 26. Sank in 30. Retail
- 31. Giants
- 32. Most bald 33. Changes color
- 34. Unit of loudness 35. Undresses
- 38. Fathers
- 39. Learned skill
- 40. Remove qualification 44. Covered with frost
- 45. Speak up 46. Nowhere to be found
- 47. Part of surgery (abbr.)
- 48. Type of wrap
- 49. Church seating 50. Mathematical figure
- 51. College football conference
- 55. Turkish officer title 57. Organized body of knowledge
- 58. Smooth and glossy
- 59. Left

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Get back 2. Pass or go by
- 3. Having a sharp taste
- 4. Midway between east and
- southeast 5. Cairo Regional Airport
- 6. Peace officer
- 7. Brings to life
- 8. Automotive vehicles
- 9. One point south of due east
- 10. Football position
- 11. Goes by
- 12. Most attractive
- 16. Road divisions 17. Not the sea
- 18. Small, faint constellation
- 22. Cabbage 25. Least frequent
- 27. Change slightly 28. A country in NE Africa

- 29. Metric units of measure 30. More coherent
- 32. Make uninteresting 34. Nausea
- 35. Institution of Oceanography 36. Of little value
- 37. Hindu model of the ideal man
- 38. Biblical exclamation
- 40. You throw it at a board

- 41. Be about to happen
- 42. Brutal
- 43. Opened one's mouth widely
- 45. 19th letter of Greek alphabet 48. Saturate
- 51. The woman 52. Someone who is highly skilled
- 53. A way to launch an attack on 54. Where golfers begin
- 56. Atomic number 58

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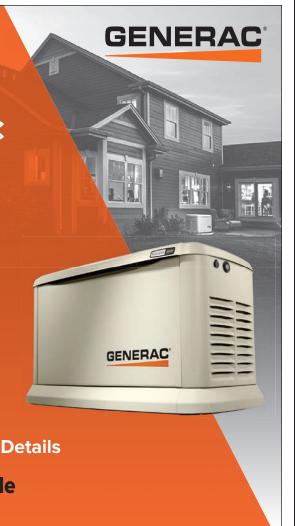
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Broncos slam Panhandle, Wheeler

By Sandy Anderberg

The Bronco basketball team two big wins over Panhandle and Wheeler.

cos defeated Panhandle on the road

things going early and hit key shots holding the Panthers at bay. The Broncos held Panhandle with good the break. The Panthers were unable to get past the quickness of the Bron-

Lady Broncos beat Wheeler

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos played a tough game at Panhandle early in the week and suffered a tough loss at 26-47.

When the two met earlier in the district round, the Lady Broncos pounced on the Pantherettes to get the huge upset. Because of splitting games with Panhandle, the ladies remain strong in the district race.

Panhandle came out strong against the Lady Broncos with three players finishing in double figures and they were able to build up a 16-point lead at halftime. Offensively, the Lady Broncos struggled to make shots fall when they needed them; however, they stayed determined and fought until the end.

Senior Madie Smith had a good game with 11 points hitting three out of four free throws and Finley Cunningham hit two from outside the arc to help with six. Makenna Shadle ended with five, Courtlyn Conkin helped with three, Jayde Gribble added two, and Graci Smith converted one from the bonus line.

It was a different outcome at home against the Lady 'Stangs from Wheeler Friday night. The Lady Broncos were on their game and won 56-22. way in the eighth grade Lady Colt's win at 55-2. Three ladies finished in double figures on the score-

Teamwork was the name of the game for the Lady Broncos as they executed offensively and played very strong defense taking advantage of Wheeler's many turnovers.

Cunningham and G. Smith finished with 13 points each with Cunningham nailing three three-pointers and Smith converting five of eight from the bonus line. M. Smith put in 12 points and Conkin finished with eight hitting two from the arc. Gribble and Shadle helped with four apiece, and Hayden Elam hit two out of four from the bonus line.

The Lady Broncos will travel to Shamrock on February 4 and will finish their regular season schedule at home against Memphis Feb. 8.

Lady Bronco JV play strong in **District win**

The Lady Broncos junior varsity came off a loss to Panhandle but played hard at home against Wheeler to earn a 52-19 win.

The ladies played one of their best first quarters of the season as they put in 28 points while holding the Lady Mustangs on the defensive end of the court allowing them only one point. Things did not look any better for Wheeler in the next seven minutes as they only had four points at the break and trail by 34.

The ladies continued to play hard in the second half, hitting 17 of 22 free throws in the game for 77 percent with three players finishing in double figures. Kennadie Cummins and Kimbrasia Ballard finished with 13 points each, and Tandie Cummins added 12 of her own to the point total. Elyza Rodriguez converted nine free throws, Gracie Clark put in four, and Avery Sawyer helped with one point.

The Lady Broncos played hard at Panhandle but could never find the momentum they needed to stop the Pantherettes. Neither team shot very good free throws, and the Lady Broncos struggled to make stops when they needed them. Offensively, the ladies could not convert shots into points.

K. Cummins and Ballard led the way with six each and Rodriguez added two.

They will travel to Shamrock on February 4.

cos on either end of the court.

Four players finished in double four points each. was on fire last week as they earned figures with Lamarcus Penigar leading the way with 21. Penigar hit four cos easily defeated Wheeler, 93-30. big shots from behind the arc and Early in the week, the Bron- shot 50 percent from the free throw anything to stop the Broncos as line. Jmaury Davis followed right behind Penigar with 20, Cayden and make shots while building up a Clarendon was able to get D'Costa finished with 12 points 56-17 lead at the break. going two for two from the bonus to set the tempo of the game while line and knocked down two three- 12 three-pointers in the game. Peni-

six to the point total, and Jordan six points each.

Herndon and Tyler Harper put in

Later in the week, the Bron-The Mustangs were helpless to do they were able to cause turnovers

Overall, the Broncos converted gar finished with 28 points, Davis Lyric Smith was perfect from put in 25, and Herndon added 20 to defense and took a 31-point lead at the free throw line as well and ended lead the way. Smith finished with with 11 points. Lyric Smith added eight, and D'Costa and Harper put in



Mason Sims goes up for two against Panhandle last week on the





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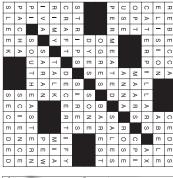


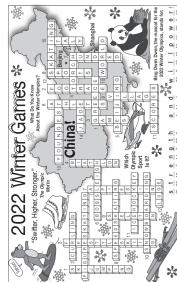
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Can you imagine the 2,900 athletes from over 85 countries, speaking just about every language you can think of? Wouldn't you like to walk around the Olympic Village where they live and see how they train?

The athletes have been training for many years and are among the best in the world. They will compete in different sports such as figure skating and skiing.

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- 1. The first Olympic games were held in Olympia, _
- 2. The first Olympic competition was a ___ _, run barefoot.
- 3. Modern winter or summer _____ are usually held every 2 years. 4. Before the games start, runners carry the Olympic from Olympia, Greece to the place where the Olympics will be held.
- 5. This year, the host city of the winter games is ______, China.
- 6. More than 2,900 _____ from 85 countries will go to China to compete. U.S. athletes and 100 Canadian athletes will attend the Winter Games.
- 8. The athletes will live together in the Olympic _____ during the games.
- 9. They will compete in 109 events (over 15 disciplines) in 7 different
- 10. People all over the _____ watch and cheer for the athletes. 11. We hold our breath while we wait for the
- 12. The most watched sports are expected to be figure _ and ice hockey.
- person ever to win a Gold Medal was 13-year-old diver Marjorie Gestring. 13. The
- 5 Olympic rings in the center circle and 4 more rings with ice, snow and cloud patterns in them. The pendants are designed after ones found in the tomb of Nanyue King, Western Han Dynasty. 15. Look for the 2026 Winter Games

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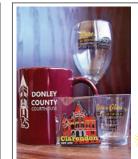
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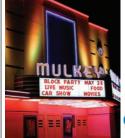
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