



BRONCOS WIN STATE TITLE ONE MORE TIME!

Clarendon defeats Lipan, 65-51

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Broncos took ownership of the San Antonio Alamodome while making history for the second year in a row, defeating Lipan 65-51 to win the state 2A basketball championship.

The 2021-2022 team knew early on they could come back and win it all again, and that is just what they did. The Broncos blew through LaRue LaPoynor in the Semi-Final round that forced a rematch of the 2020-2021 State Semi-Final game with #1 ranked Lipan.

Lipan came out hot in the first quarter and led 11-8 going into the second quarter. The undefeated Indians then turned up the heat and extended their lead.

After trailing by eight points at halftime, head coach Boston Hudson lit a fire under the Bronco players and to say they came out and took control is an understatement. With only 17 seconds into the third, the senior leadership kicked in.

Jordan Herndon made back-to-back threes to close the gap, and Lamarus Penigar, who would claim the MVP title of the game, nailed the first of six from downtown at the five-minute mark. Penigar found his rhythm and added a field goal about every minute until the clock ticked down to only four seconds in the third period.

The Broncos held a 10-point cushion and the momentum going into the final eight minutes of the game but still had fuel in the tank.

"The first half we really weren't making any shots and kind of play-

ing their game," Herndon said. "Coach told us we had to step up as seniors and show leadership, so we got the team rolling. I was just looking for him (Penigar); and if he was calling for the ball, I was going to give it to him."

Penigar added 16 more points in the final period to close the game out at 41, which hasn't happened in a 2A state tournament game since 1964.

"I was in foul trouble in the first half," Penigar said. "They were down, so I had to come up with a nice little plan. I got hot, so when you get hot, you just keep shooting."

The Broncos did get hot in the second half after, and according to Hudson, they were a little sluggish, and the ball wasn't moving really well in the first half.

Fellow senior Cayden D'Costa played two solid games at the tournament and finished with 12 defensive rebounds and four on the offensive side. He also had four steals and three assists in the games.

"This is a lot sweeter than it was last year," D'Costa said. "Especially because it's the last time we get to play with these guys, and we have the best coach we could ask for."

Junior Texas Tech football signee Jmaury Davis played strong and was consistent as always. Davis was able to get the crowd on their feet with a fast break windmill dunk that rocked the house.

"I was attempting to do it the whole time, but they kept getting back fast," Davis said. "I finally got the opportunity to do it. I didn't

want it to be just a regular dunk and wanted to get the crowd into it."

"Our fan-base traveled so well," Hudson said. "We are so thankful for their support; they followed us all year."

Joining Penigar with his 41 points was D'Costa with 10, Davis and Herndon with six each, and Lyric Smith with two.

Lipan Coach Brent Gaylor and his Indians were very complimentary of Clarendon's ability.

"We talked at halftime about not letting them get a three-pointer or dunk because they are a momentum-oriented team," Gaylor said. "Clarendon plays at such a higher level when they are feeling that good."

Hudson knows that high level of play too well.

"They doubled Jmaury because he killed them last year in the state semi-final game, and they face-guarded Lamarus in the first half (to keep the ball out of his hands)."

The State Semi-Final game began with the Broncos flying down the court to use a 7-0 run in the opening two minutes of the game to set the tempo of the game and earn a 69-60 win over LaRue LaPoynor on Friday.

The Broncos jumped out early in the game and looked to start a blowout against the Flyers with a 15-point lead with only three minutes left in the first quarter. A good shooting second period of play for the Broncos, put the Flyers on the ropes at halftime. But LaPoynor chipped away and narrowed the gap



Clarendon's Jordan Herndon sank two back-to-back threes early in the second half to spark the Broncos' into action and shut out Lipan in the state final Saturday.

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to single digits down the stretch. With only ticks left on the clock, the Flyers came within five points, but the Bronco offense got to work to extend the lead to nine. The Bronco defense worked hard to hold LaPoynor at bay to get the win.

Sophomore Lyric Smith had a good day on the boards with 11 rebounds, and Herndon grabbed eight and had five assists. Anthony Cenicerros had seven rebounds and four assists, and D'Costa added six rebounds and three assists.

Davis had a great game and led the way with 24 points and 12 rebounds. D'Costa finished with 16, and Penigar had 15. Herndon had six, Tyler Harper and Cenicerros put in three each, and Smith added two points in the win.

Bronco Rally set for this Sunday

Bronco fans are invited to celebrate Clarendon's second state championship Sunday, March 20, at 4 p.m. The team will be paraded from Bronco Stadium down Fourth Street to Kearney and then to the Mulkey Theatre for a big celebration with hamburgers, pictures, and autographs!



Sawyer sues Dalton over election

The Donley County Precinct 4 Commissioners' race in the Republican Primary is headed to court, but both sides say a new election is in order.

Incumbent Commissioner Dan Sawyer lost his primary bid to challenger Brad Dalton, 55-54, in the March 1 election, and those numbers were confirmed by party officials last Thursday.

The election was under a cloud, however, due to multiple reports of people in Donley County voting in the wrong precincts because of

issues with how new precinct lines were entered into the voting system and voter registration issues that stemmed from those errors.

Following the only legal course available to him, Sawyer filed suit against Dalton in district court last week seeking an order for a new election.

This week, Dalton answered Sawyer's filing by agreeing that there were errors in the election and also asked the court to order a new election.

"After reviewing evidence

attached to the election contest and after talking to some people who wanted to vote in the Donley County Precinct 4 Commissioners race but weren't allowed to, I think it is only fair that we have a new election," Dalton said.

"Everyone that wants to vote in this country of ours should be able to vote in the right precinct and for the person of their choice, even if they don't vote for me. All elections should be fair and equal in the eyes of the people and the law."

Dalton further stated that he

looks forward to "campaigning hard and winning the Republican Primary by more than one vote this time."

Deputy District Clerk Laverne Pinion said Tuesday that since District Judge Stuart Messer had to recuse himself from the case as the local judge, Judge Ana Estevez of Amarillo will decide the case, which is expected this week.

Dalton and County GOP Chair Bill Word both said they expect the new election to be held along with the Republican Run-off election on May 24, which will also feature

another local race, that of the Justice of the Peace in Precincts 1&2.

Sarah Hatley had the most votes in the JP election with three other names on the ballot, but the same issues of voters casting ballots in the wrong precinct also plagued that race.

Following the election, Connie Lane was second place in that vote and will face Hatley in the run-off. The third-place candidate, Kristen Taylor, could sue as Sawyer did but has not done so as of Tuesday morning, Pinion said.

Root of democracy: Free flow of information

By Kelley Shannon, Executive Director

As Ukrainians fight and die for democracy, Russia is arresting its own citizens who are protesting the war and threatening prison for journalists who report the truth.

The attempt to crush a democratic government and stop the flow of information comes as American news organizations and transparency advocates observe Sunshine Week from March 13-19, a time for highlighting government openness and a free press.

Certainly, let’s commemorate the freedom of information we enjoy – and constantly strive to improve – in the United States. But it’s imperative to contrast it with what’s happening around the world and understand how devastating it is when a government allows only its own tightly controlled version of events to trickle out.

Earlier this month, Vladimir Putin’s government changed its domestic media laws to make it a crime to distribute what it deemed to be “false news” about the war. Doing so could mean up to 15 years behind bars. Many news organizations pulled journalists out of the country or shut their operations; the government also cut off access to major social media sites, the Neiman Journalism Lab reported in its thorough rundown on the severe restrictions.

The censorship amounts to an “information dark age,” according to the Committee to Protect Journalists, which called on journalists everywhere to stand in opposition.

Thwarting free speech isn’t only happening in Russia. We simply need to think back to the Olympics a few weeks ago to remember the spotlight on China’s crackdowns on dissent and free expression and its control of internet content. And, of course, there are other examples.

It’s astounding – and a lesson for us all. Blocking information is a favorite weapon of authoritarian regimes. Information is essential for democracy to flourish. The ability to examine public records and tune in to independent news sources enables us to speak out and hold our leaders accountable.

In our state, we are fortunate that the Texas Public Information Act, originally known as the Open Records Act, was established in the early 1970s to ensure citizens have the right to watch over government. It gives us the ability to obtain public documents and largely forces state and local officials who want to withhold information to argue to the attorney general’s office – an umpire, of sorts – as to why information should be kept secret. The law presumes all records are open unless a specific exemption in law states otherwise.

In short, the Texas law is intended to give an advantage to the individual information requestor, not the government, unlike some states’ information laws.

Public officials are only the custodians of our public records. They do not get to tell us what information we have a right to view. Texans want to see basic police reports, documents relating to a local school district’s property purchase and a state university’s athletics consulting contract. That’s just a small sampling of how our state’s Public Information Act is used.

The law is not perfect. There has been incremental weakening of it over the years, but open government supporters work every legislative session with lawmakers of both political parties to strengthen the act. We should fight with all our might to protect it.

In the end, in a democracy, the people get to judge their leaders and decide whether they will remain in office or get voted out. The free flow of information is the people’s path to questioning authority. That, ultimately, is real power.

Kelley Shannon is executive director of the nonprofit, nonpartisan Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas, based in Austin. For more information go to www.foift.org.



‘Hi Jolly’ keeper of Texas camels

An experiment in western American transportation, though conceded to have been a failure, is well worth remembering. Camels in America? Yes indeed! They were brought here to traverse the Great American Desert, and the experiment might have succeeded had the Civil War not broken out when it did.

Jefferson Davis, U.S. Senator from Mississippi advocated the camels as early as 1853. A beast of burden that could navigate America’s arid Southwest was needed, and that could only mean camels.

“We must have them,” he drawled. “The men who are pushing through the desert and wilderness are shouting for an animal that can go without water for days and still carry a heavy pack on its back!”

When Davis later became Secretary of War under President Franklin Pierce, he got his way by convincing Congress to appropriate \$30,000 for the camel experiment. Men and ships were dispatched to the Middle East to purchase 78 of the beasts and to hire some of their native keepers.

Two shiploads of camels arrived in Texas in 1856: one in Indianola on Matagorda Bay and one at Parsons Pier in Galveston. Their keepers, with their colorful near eastern costumes and unpronounceable names, were almost as interesting a curiosity as were the camels themselves. Hadji Ali, a Lebanese Syrian, is the best remembered of these camel keepers. Born about 1828, to an Orthodox (eastern Christian) family, he nevertheless was raised as a Muslim. Hi Jolly, as the locals called him, was the leader of the Indianola camel keepers.

Landing with thirty-three camels, he took great delight in entertaining the children there by letting them touch, and even ride, the camels. When some of the camels broke loose and stampeded in the area, frightening horses and people, it was Hi Jolly who led the other keepers in bringing them under control. Later, when the camels were marched to California, Hi Jolly went with them. He spent the rest of his life in America, living out west until his death in 1902.

In Galveston, after being hoisted from ship to shore in slings, about 40 camels were herded into a nearby corral where they stayed for several months. Although a curiosity for the younger generation, the camels were unwelcome guests of the city. As in Indianola, the horses and mules were terrorized whenever the keepers exercised the camels by riding them through the city streets. In addition, the camels exuded a very offensive smell, and they would occasionally spit at people. But the young boys were delighted at getting to ride the camels at exercise time.

Finally the time came for the westward trek. The first major stop was at Camp Verde just north of San Antonio. Being keeper of the camels was a dubious honor for Colonel Robert E. Lee, Camp Verde’s commander at the time. In an expedition from Camp Verde to the Big Bend of the Rio Grande, the U. S.

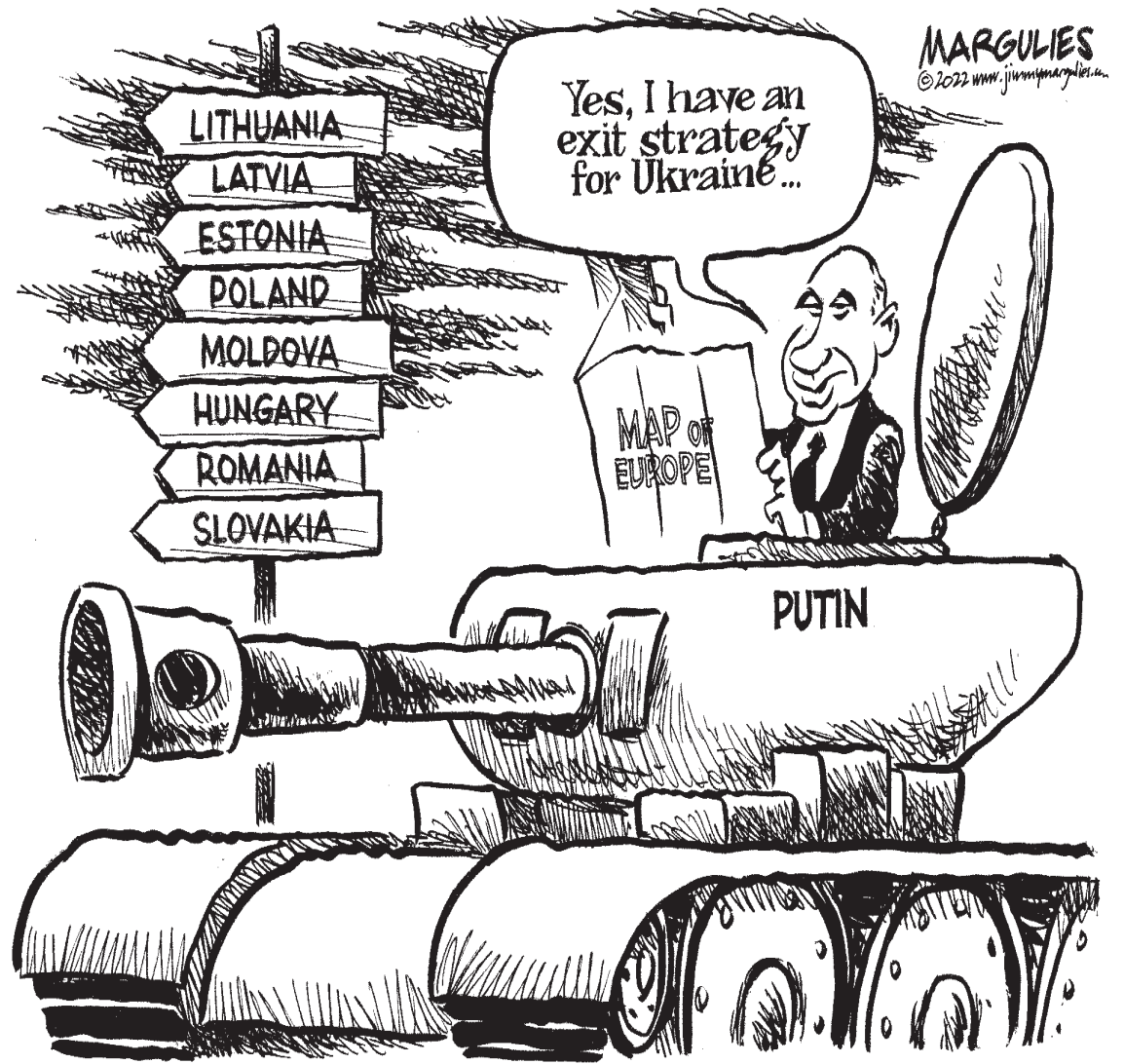


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tales of the old west
by george u. hubbard

Army proved that camels could outlast mules in adverse conditions or rugged terrain. Then in a caravan, the camels were marched to California’s Fort Tejon, just north of Los Angeles. But by the time they got to Fort Tejon, the Civil War had started, and interest in continuing the experiment waned. Their homesick keepers went home, and the soldiers didn’t know how to handle the mangy beasts. So the government auctioned the camels to various buyers. Some went to circuses as curiosities. Some went to freight companies and construction companies as beasts of burden expected to be profitable, but they proved to be more trouble than they were worth. In 1864 Sam McLeneghan bought 31 of the beasts and placed them on his ranch in Sonoma County, California. On April 7, 1864, he promoted the “Great Camel Race” in Sacramento. River gamblers, Chinese laborers, and gaudy dance hall girls gathered to see the fun, but of the ten saddled camels who started the race, not one made it to the finish line. They were totally uncooperative. Nevertheless, the camels produced a unique excitement among the people wherever they went.

For several years people reported seeing stray camels wandering in various spots throughout the Southwest. Nevada even passed a law forbidding camels “from running at large on public highways.” However, the law was rescinded in 1889 when it was realized that there weren’t any wild camels left. The camels had had their day, but now it was over.

George U. Hubbard is an author of several books.



Drought not far from Texans minds

By Jeremy B. Mazur

The trials of drought weave throughout the story of Texas in tales of devastation that had lasting effects on the families, businesses, and communities that survived them. These withering dry times prompted Texans to make big changes to shore up their water resources.

After the historic Drought of Record of the 1950s, Texas embarked on a mammoth reservoir building spree, banking more water for growing and thirsty communities. More recently – after the disastrous drought in 2011, when counties burned as some towns came perilously close to running out of water – state voters approved a payment plan to build more water supply projects.

Texas 2036’s latest Texas Voter Poll found that the threat of drought remains etched in the Texas psyche. The State Climatologist’s prediction that Texas will endure more extreme weather events, including drought and excessively hot days, makes 77% of voters concerned. Moreover, a majority of Texas voters replied that they are extremely or very concerned about Texas’ extreme weather trends.

Drought worries precipitate bigger concerns about water access. Nearly nine in ten Texas voters expressed concern about communities’ abilities to access water during the next severe drought. This level of concern is exceptionally

high, especially after the decades state and local officials have spent planning and building water projects. Even though Texas has done much to fortify its water supplies since the drought of the 1950s, voters still worry that their taps may one day run dry.

Key data shows Texans are right to worry about drought and water access. The State Water Plan estimates that by 2070, Texas will face a long-term water deficit (where demands outstrip available supplies) of 6.9 million acre-feet; that’s roughly as much water as 7-14 million households use in a year. In the meantime, the State Climatologist forecasts a 3-degree increase in the average temperature between now and 2036, accelerating evaporative losses from our reservoirs as the likelihood of greater drought severity grows.

These concerns about drought and access to water show that Texans are open to new ways of thinking about water management. Nearly three-fourths of Texas voters agree that our state cannot build enough reservoirs to meet its growing needs. Given this limitation, voters say we must rethink water management and stewardship, serving the needs of our growing state by considering more efficient alternatives to reservoir building.

Such alternatives include water markets and water pricing, which intro-

duce an essential but missing element to Texas’ water discussion: the market value of water.

Texas has a semi-arid climate. Water can be scarce and harder to find when droughts intensify and more people are drinking it.

By assigning a market value to water that better reflects its economic worth, the state can encourage smarter, more efficient ways of using it. Water markets and pricing discourage waste and place a premium on efficiency. They encourage innovations to help Texans use water wisely, such as reuse (where water is cleaned and recycled for other beneficial purposes) and conservation. Moreover, water markets provide an important mechanism for state water management, enabling voluntary transactions to move water to where it’s needed.

The ravages of drought will continue to weave into Texas’ story, and voters recognize the dangers ahead. But while challenges will persist, there are opportunities to more efficiently manage precious water resources so that every Texan has access to safe, reliable water. By expanding water markets, Texas can open doors to wiser water management, enabling smarter use of a precious resource.

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Obituaries

Hatcher

Norma Jean Hatcher, 84, formerly of Clarendon, died Sunday, March 13, 2022, in Amarillo.



Hatcher

Memorial services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 18, 2022, in Robertson Saints Roost Chapel in Clarendon.

Cremation and arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Norma Jean (Northern) Hatcher was born on March 4, 1938, in Irene, Texas, to Harvey and Wilda Robertson Northern. She married Gordon Dale Hatcher on October 3, 1964, in Amarillo.

Norma was preceded in death by her parents; and her husband, Gordon Dale Hatcher.

She is survived by two brothers, James Northern of the Houston area and Bobby Northern of Amarillo; and three sisters, Dorothy Vinson, Karen Dellis, and Sherry Loehr and husband Dan, all of Amarillo.

The family requests no flowers be sent. Instead, please consider a memorial donation to the Harrington Cancer Center.

Sign our online guestbook at www.robertsonfuneral.com.

Hoggatt

Mary Kathryn Hoggatt, 73, of Hedley died Thursday, March 10, 2022, in Dallas.



Hoggatt

Graveside services were held on Wednesday, March 16, 2022, in Rowe Cemetery in Hedley with Rev. Bruce Howard, officiating.

Arrangements are under the direction Robertson Funeral Direc-

tors of Clarendon.

Mary was born April 20, 1948, in Groom to William Battle and Mildred Harris. She married Johnny Lee Hoggatt on January 16, 1976 in Canyon, Texas. She has been a resident of Hedley for the past 30 years and worked as a LVN for High Plains Baptist hospital in Amarillo as well as worked in nursing homes in Tulia, Clarendon, and Memphis prior to her retirement. Her hobbies included crafts, knitting, painting, drawing, and researching genealogy. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Hedley.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a brother, Ronny Harris.

She is survived by her husband, Johnny Hoggatt of Hedley; her sons, Johnny Hoggatt and wife Jana of Canyon, and James Hoggatt and wife Kristy of Oceanside, California; her daughter, Mary Tolbert of Happy; her brother, Roy Harris of Waco; and 8 grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be sent to First Baptist Church of Hedley or Hedley Senior Citizens.

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Cockerham

Peggy LaVerne Cockerham, 84, of Howardwick died Monday, March 7, 2022, at her home.



Cockerham

Funeral services were held on Monday, March 14, 2022, at Howardwick First Baptist Church, with Pastor Jim Fox, officiating. Burial will follow in Citizens Cemetery.

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

Peggy LaVerne (McCracken) Cockerham was born on April 28, 1937, in Clarendon, to George Pinkney and Molly Marie Reynolds McCracken. She married Jimmie Delano Cockerham on June 18, 1953, in Tucumcari, New Mexico. Peggy was an Air Force wife for

twenty years which led her to raise her four children by herself while her husband was deployed overseas. Her husband's career led them to move all over the country.

Peggy received her LVN degree in 1967, and later became a registered nurse in 1991. She was the first graduate of an osteopathic nursing school to be licensed in South Carolina. After moving back to Clarendon in 1976 and later to Howardwick in 1983, Peggy became the Assistant Director of Nursing at the Clarendon Nursing Home in 1977. Later, she was promoted as the Director of Nursing until she retired in the late 90's. Despite retirement, Peggy remained very busy. She actively volunteered in the Howardwick community, was a leader in the Texas Panhandle Alzheimer's Association, and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Howardwick. Peggy enjoyed being a member of the Red Hats Club and was also a Girl Scout Leader.

Peggy instilled a love of reading into her children, and she shared this love with others as a Friend of the Burton Memorial Library. Peggy also wrote a weekly column in the newspaper known as "wick Picks". Peggy loved taking her family camping, and her children will always cherish the many memories they made on these trips. Peggy enjoyed quilting, sewing, and crafting. Above all, Peggy loved her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Jim Cockerham; 3 brothers, Ronald Franklin McCracken, Bobby Lee McCracken, and Georgie Dale McCracken; and her sister, Patsy Lavonia McCracken Cox.

She is survived by her son, Gary Cockerham and wife, Candy, of Clarendon; 3 daughters, Cindy Pharris and husband, Ronnie, of Clarendon, Lori Allen of Amarillo, and Colleen Fross of Howardwick; 9 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; several cousins, and by Buffy The Wonder Dog.

The family request memorials be sent to Donley County Senior Citizens, Drawer B, Clarendon, Texas 79226.

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Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) filed with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) on March 14, 2022 its Petition requesting approval of its proposed Military Base Surcharge Tariff.

Section 36.354(a) of the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA), at Texas Utilities Code § 36.354, provides that each electric utility in an area where implementation of full customer choice has been delayed by the Commission in accordance with PURA Section 39.103 shall discount charges for electric service provided to a military base. Section 36.354(b) of PURA establishes the discount to be provided to military installations as a 20 percent reduction of the base commercial rate that the electric utility would otherwise charge the installation.

Section 36.354(c) of PURA provides that the electric utility may assess a surcharge to all its Texas retail customers to recover the difference in revenue between the revenues from the discounted rate for military bases and the base commercial rate. SWEPCO's Tariff Sheet No. IV-16 provides the Military Base Adjustment Factor per billing kWh as reflected below:

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Major Rate Classes	\$/kWh
Residential	\$0.0000747
Commercial & Small Industrial	\$0.0000556
Industrial / Large Lighting and Power	\$0.0000251
Municipal	\$0.0000524
Outdoor Lighting	\$0.0000909

SWEPCO has requested that the tariff become effective with the first billing cycle of June 2022. The Petition has been assigned Tariff Control No. 53351. Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon this proceeding must notify the Commission within 21 days of SWEPCO's filing of the Petition. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (800) 735-2988. The Company can be contacted at 428 Travis Street, Shreveport, LA 71101, or by calling (888) 216-3523 during normal business hours.

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- March 21 - 25**
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Mon: Polish sausage, sweet & sour cabbage, German potato salad, wheat roll, black forest parfait, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: King ranch chicken, pinto beans, tortilla, sugar cookie, pineapple, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Smothered steak, mashed potatoes, mixed greens, wheat roll, peach short cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: BBQ chicken, smothered potatoes, carrot salad, wheat roll, sliced apples, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Pollock, lemon, lima beans, coleslaw, raisins, cornbread, lemon cookie, iced tea/2% milk.

- Hedley Senior Citizens**
Mon: Chicken tetrazzini, Italian vegetables, tossed salad, garlic bread, oatmeal cookie, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Tilapia w/lemon, mustard greens, marinated cucumber & onions, cornbread, strawberry shortcake, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Pork chops, turnip greens, black-eyed peas, cornbread, applesauce, iced tea/2% milk.
Thu: Beef pot roast, roasted peppers, roasted carrots, wheat roll, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Taco pie w/salad topping, pinto beans, chuckwagon corn, tortilla, imt. Peanut butter cups, iced tea/2% milk.

- Clarendon ISD**
Breakfast
Mon: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Tues: French toast, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Wed: Scrambled eggs, ham, toast, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Thu: Pancake wrap, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Fri: Cinnamon roll, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
- Lunch
Mon: Corn dog, tots, baked beans, fruit, milk.
Tues: Nachos, salsa, beans, fruit, milk.
Wed: Grilled chicken sandwich, veggie cup, salad, fruit, milk.
Thu: Baked chicken, roll, cooked broccoli, fruit, milk.
Fri: Cheeseburger macaroni, roll, green beans, carrots, fruit, milk.

- Hedley ISD**
Breakfast
Mon: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Tues: French toast, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Wed: Power breakfast, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Thu: Pancake wrap, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Fri: Cinnamon roll, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
- Lunch
Mon: Corn dog, potatoes, tomato cup, fruit cup, milk.
Tues: Quesadilla, salsa, beans, cucumbers, apricots, ice cream, milk.
Wed: Crispy chicken sandwich, fresh veggie cup, garden salad, fruity gelatin, milk.
Thu: Breaded pork chop, gravy, roll, broccoli, corn, mandarin oranges, milk.
Fri: Pizza, carrots, green beans, rice crispy, milk.



Mason Allred and Ben Estlack with some of their SeaWorld prizes from Saturday.

A fun Saturday at SeaWorld

Last weekend, my family and some friends went to San Antonio to go to the basketball semi-final and final game. While we were in San Antonio, we did some other fun things.

After the game on Friday, we went to the mall went to LegoLand and SeaLife. Lego Land was alright, but it wasn't a lot of fun for older kids.

SeaLife was pretty cool, but what I had been waiting for – other than the big game - was going to SeaWorld!

On Saturday, after the boys

won the state championship, we went to SeaWorld. When we got there, my friend Mason and I went and started to look at the animals and have some fun. The first thing we did was go to the penguins. We got to go learn all about penguins, and we got to look at this giant group of penguins. Next, Mason and I went to the arcade and played a couple



the cub reporter
by benjamin estlack

Closing out the final chapter

This is Buffy the Wonder Dog, and my world has sure changed! Not sure what is going on. The house is pretty quiet, but things are the same too.

Those cardinals are chirping louder than ever, Steve the neighbor's dog is still coming by for our morning chase around the fence, and I just know that family of rabbits is still under the barn. Dad won't like that, but at least it's not those black and white stinkers.

Those two recliners, side by side, are empty, and I miss them. Miss them fussing over the remote or

talking about how blessed they are to have good neighbors. About how much they loved being part of this community, from the early years when they lived in their first apartment over the office of the It'll Do Motel and Friday night dates at the Mulkey in 1953 to Dad bringing his family back after he retired from



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games and just had some fun. We went and looked at the sea turtles, and then we went to watch the Orca show.

That was my favorite part of the day, and I thought it was amazing that such big animals could be trained so well.

For the rest of the time, we walked with my family and watched my little cousins ride some rides. In all it was an awesome time, and I want to go back some time soon.

I also want to say congratulations to the Bronco Basketball team on their back-to-back wins at state!

Jones 5K registrations underway

The tenth annual Chance Mark Jones Roar & Run 5K will be held Saturday, April 9, at the Donley County Courthouse.

The Clarendon Lions Club is hosting the event again in memory of the late Chance Mark Jones to raise awareness of Child Abuse. Jones passed away in January 2011 as a result of abuse.

Those interested in running or walking the 5K (about 3.1 miles)

or taking the plunge are encouraged to sign up before March 22 to take advantage of the early registration price. Early registration is \$25 for the 5K. Signing up before March 22 also guarantees participants the official 5K t-shirt. Registrations after March 22 8 will cost \$30 each.

The year's 5K will again start and end at the Courthouse and will run through the city, around Prospect Park, which is the home of the

Lions' Chance Mark Jones Memorial Playground, and past several historic sites. The race will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Race registrations are available at the Clarendon Visitor Center at the Mulkey Theatre or at the Clarendon Enterprise.

For more information, contact Lion Ashlee Estlack at ashlee.estlack@gmail.com or 806-662-4687 or Lion Roger Estlack at publisher@clarendonlive.com or 806-874-2259.

A photograph of a man in a blue shirt and a black cowboy hat, Ken King, standing next to a woman in a blue and white striped shirt. They are both smiling at the camera.

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A group photograph of eight young girls and two adult women, the leaders of Clarendon Girl Scout troop 5201, standing in front of a white wall.

Clarendon Girl Scout troop 5201 would like to send out a huge thank you to the town for supporting them and purchasing cookies this year and Cornells Country Store and Floyd's Automotive for allowing us to sell from your businesses. All together these girls sold 2,374 boxes of cookies in two short months. They earned prizes, learned how to manage money, used their people skills, and all around became little entrepreneurs.

We still have some cookies left, so if you would like to help these girls earn back some more of their profit please contact troop leader Bridie Lindsay via Facebook and see what they have left. We are really excited about serving our little community and look forward to future activities. Thank you again for everyone's support.



Teacher award

Clarendon Junior High's Brittany Monds won the Mrs. Baird's Teacher of the Month award recently. She was nominated by Cutter Seay.

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Clarendon sales tax up for March

Sales tax figures for the City of Clarendon were up again for March, according to information from Texas Comptroller Glen Hegar.

Clarendon's monthly allocation was up 4.76 percent at \$34,385.97 when Hegar delivered monthly disbursements to cities last week. The city's year-to-date figures is now 7.27 percent at \$121,811.80.

Hedley's March allocation was \$725.88 up from \$476.34 last year at this time, and the year-to-date total of \$2,714.49 is an increase of 13.53 percent.

Howardwick was up 2.71 percent for the month at \$1,606.37, but the lakeside city is down less than one percent (0.75) for the year at \$4,961.41.

Across the state, Hegar delivered \$913.3 million in local sales tax allocations for March, 19.8 percent more than in March 2021.

These allocations are based on sales made in January by businesses that report tax monthly.



The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting March 15, 2022, with Boss Lion Landon Lambert in charge.

We had 12 members and three guests this week – Jaxon Robertson, guest of Lion Chuck Robertson; and Mason Allred and Ben Estlack, guests of Lion Roger Estlack.

Plans for the Chance Mark Jones Roar 'n Run 5K were discussed. Registration is open for the event, and the early bird deadline to register is coming up next week. Registration form are available online and at the Clarendon Visitor Center.

Lion Mary Green reminded everyone about the special severe weather program the Lions are sponsoring April 21, featuring Steve Kersh at the Mulkey.

There being no further business, we were adjourned.

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- Type of footwear
- Studies a lot all at once
- Adventure story
- Hundred thousand
- Former U.S. Vice President
- Ruler
- Indian city
- Similar
- Ship as cargo
- Volcanic craters
- Boxing's "GOAT"
- Bullfighting maneuvers
- London soccer team
- Score perfectly
- No (Scottish)
- SoCal hoops team (abbr.)
- Woman (French)
- Unwanted attic "decor"
- Peter Griffin's daughter
- Broad, shallow crater
- Large instruments
- Low bank or reef
- ___ and Venzetti
- Oil group
- Father
- Aggressive men
- Pairs well with green
- Travelers need it
- Digital audiotape
- Midway between northeast and east
- Chemistry descriptor
- S. China seaport
- Sound unit
- Heavy cavalry sword
- Thick piece of something
- Spa town in Austria
- Boyfriend
- Norse personification of old age
- Type of box
- Tie together
- Fiber from the coconut
- Chicago mayor
- Old English letters

CLUES DOWN

- Type of sauce
- Pattern of notes
- Plant with long seedpods
- Map out
- Numbers cruncher
- Make a mental connection
- Italian tenor
- N. America's highest mountain peak
- Witness
- Arabic given name
- Music awards
- "The Immoralist" author
- Area units
- Units of loudness
- Political action committee
- Bar bill
- Witch
- A theatrical performer
- 2-door car
- ___ and flowed
- Papier-___, art medium
- City in Georgia
- Irregular
- College sports conference
- Angry
- Partner to cheese
- S. American mammal
- Self-immolation by fire rituals
- Split pulses
- Disfigure
- Cow noise
- Erase
- Chadic language
- Reward for doing well
- Paid TV
- Millisecond
- Other
- Colombian city
- Necklace part
- Every one of two or more people
- Regrets
- They come after "A"
- Horse noise



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Jordan Herndon dribbles the ball down the court last Saturday during the State Championship game. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ELAINA ESTLACK

Nazario competes in Regional Meet

By Sandy Anderberg

Clarendon High School senior Gaven Nazario competed in the Regional Power Lifting Meet in Sun-don last weekend.

Lifters finishing in first and second place earned the right to go to the State Meet. Nazario finished in fourth place in the meet.

Nazario lifts in the Super Heavy Weight division weighing in at 330 pounds. He improved his lift total over the ‘Boys Last Chance’ meet by 55 pounds. Nazario posted a weight

of 525 pounds in the squat, 375 in the bench press, and 500 pounds in the dead lift for a total of 1400 pounds.

The first-place finisher came in with a lift total of 1500 pounds and the second-place finisher lifted 1470 total pounds. He was able to post personal bests in the squat and bench press.

“Gaven has been a solid power lifter for us in high school,” head coach Yancy Molloy said. “He did a great job at the Regional meet, and I am proud of his accomplishments.”

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DPS ups patrols for spring break

AUSTIN – The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) will increase its presence on the roads to ensure highways are safe as part of a spring break enforcement campaign. From March 12 through March 20, the Texas Highway Patrol will be out looking for people who are violating traffic laws as part of Operation CARE (Crash Awareness and Reduction Effort). The Operation will include St. Patrick’s Day.

“Spring break is a time for fun and relaxation, but we need to make sure people are enjoying their vacations responsibly and following the law,” said DPS Director Steven McCraw. “DPS will step up enforcement efforts on the roads, and we hope drivers will obey the posted speed limits, along with all the other laws, to make it possible for everyone to have a safe spring break.”

During the 2021 spring break enforcement effort, DPS Troopers issued more than 73,700 citations and warnings for violations. This included 7,236 speeding citations, 919 citations for seat belt or child safety seat violations and 500 Move Over, Slow Down citations and warnings. Troopers also made 512 felony arrests, 417 DWI arrests and 235 fugitive arrests.

To have a safe spring break holiday, DPS offers the following tips:

Don’t drink and drive. If you plan to have alcohol outside of your home, have a designated driver or take alternate transportation.

Move Over or Slow Down for police, fire, EMS, Texas Department

of Transportation (TxDOT) vehicles and tow trucks stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated. Show the same courtesy to fellow drivers who are stopped. Through March 3 of this year, there have been 1,333 Move Over, Slow Down violations.

If you can Steer It, Clear It. If you are involved in a non-injury crash and your vehicle can be moved, clear the lanes of traffic. On some highways, if you don’t move your vehicle when it’s safe to do so, it’s against the law.

Slow down, especially in bad weather, heavy traffic, unfamiliar areas or construction zones.

Buckle up everyone in the vehicle — it’s the law.

Eliminate distractions while driving, including the use of mobile devices. Texas law prohibits the use of portable wireless devices to read, write or send an electronic message unless the vehicle is stopped.

When using a navigation device or app, have a passenger operate it so you can keep your eyes on the road.

Don’t drive fatigued — allow plenty of time to reach your destination.

Keep the Texas Roadside Assistance number stored in your phone. Dial 1-800-525-5555 for any type of roadside assistance. The number can also be found on the back of a Texas Driver License.

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Jackson secures funding for district defense priorities

US Representative Ronny Jackson (TX-13) celebrated several successes in response to House passage of two appropriations packages, security and non-security, for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022 last week.

“When Democrats came into control of the House, Senate, and Oval Office, the American people were sold a lie that the adults were ‘back in charge,’” Jackson said. “So far, Democrats’ leadership style has been disastrous for Americans’ freedoms, pocketbooks, and livelihoods. Their mismanagement has again been seen throughout the FY 2022 appropriations process. I have worked tirelessly over the last year to make sure our district’s priorities were included in this appropriations package, which funds the entire federal government. As a Member of Congress, I find it outrageous that I could not get definitive answers on my priorities as recently as last week. Then, in the middle of the night, House Democrats finally released a 2,741-page, \$1.5 trillion bill that we voted on less than 24 hours later.

“I can report to you that I voted in favor of the security package because it included many of my defense priorities for TX-13. As a retired Navy Admiral and current member of the House Armed Services Committee, I am proud to know that the future of America’s defense capabilities will be built in our own backyard.

“However, I did not support the non-security package as it included billions of dollars for Democrats’ socialist agenda. The people of TX-13 will not get behind funding

for vaccine mandates, the Green New Deal, gender identity nonsense, or abortion funding. It is shameful that Democrats worked behind closed doors to conceal their socialist policy plans. The American people have little faith in Congress, and this Democrat-led appropriations process has demonstrated why.”

Jackson voted in favor of the security package, which included funding for critical national security and TX-13 defense priorities, including the following items:

2.7 percent pay raise for military personnel;

Appropriate funding for the military to bolster readiness and modernization by building on President Trump’s work to ensure the U.S. is the most dominant military in the world;

\$189 million for the T-7A Red Hawk, the new advanced trainer aircraft that will be flown out of Sheppard Air Force Base in Wichita Falls;

Ground Based Strategic Deterrent, the new Intercontinental Ballistic Missile which serves as one leg of the U.S. nuclear triad and will ensure future projects at Pantex stay on track;

B-21 Raider, the new stealth bomber which will also serve as a leg of the triad and will bring work to Pantex in Amarillo;

\$1.1 billion for the procurement of 12 V-22 aircraft, which will be completed at Bell Helicopter’s Military Aircraft Assembly & Delivery Center in Amarillo; Nacelle Improvement to upgrade the current fleet of CV-22 aircraft at Bell’s Amarillo facility; Army’s Future Long-

Range Assault Aircraft which could bring significant work to Amarillo in years to come;

Increased funding for Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Customs and Border Protection;

\$1 billion for the Iron Dome air defense system to support Israel’s ability to defend itself; and

Nearly \$7 billion in supplemental funding to support Ukraine’s defense against Russia

While Jackson could not support the non-security package for several reasons, he was still successful in securing numerous wins for TX-13, including:

\$20 million for a military construction project for a brand-new Child Development Center at Sheppard Air Force Base that will be built years ahead of schedule;

\$44.5 million for High Explosives Synthesis, Formulation, and Production Facility at Pantex in Amarillo to provide new capabilities on site and help replace the aging infrastructure;

Funding for the National Nuclear Security Administration’s nuclear warhead programs such as the B61-12 Life Extension Program, the W87-1 Modification Program, and the W93 Acquisition Program, which will continue to bring work to Pantex for decades into the future;

Language to restrict the IRS from targeting people or groups based on their political or religious beliefs; and

Designates I-27 as part of the Federal Interstate System, which will expand and improve the highway

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