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All this and much more as The Enterprise reports in this week's amazing edition!

## Aquatic Center to be open late Friday

The Clarendon Aquatic Center will hold a late-night Bronco Splash this Friday, August 19, following the football scrimmage with Childress.

The center will be open from 8 p.m. to midnight, and the price of admission will be lowered to just \$2 per person for that event.

## Tax, budget hearings advertised this week

Local taxing units continue to announce public hearings for their tax rates and budgets for the coming fiscal year.

Among the public notices in this week's Enterprise, the City of Clarendon will hold a hearing on tax increase with a proposed rate of \$0.607285 per \$100 valuation. The hearing will be September 8 at 6:30 p.m.

Clarendon CISD will also hold a public meeting August 29 at 6:30 p.m. on its proposed budget and a possible tax rate of \$0.9901.

Previously advertised hearings included the county, the city, the appraisal district, and the college district.

Donley County is holding public hearings on its tax rate and its proposed budget on Monday, August 29, at 1 p.m. in the Courthouse. The county is proposing a tax rate of \$0.595644 per \$100 valuation.

The City of Clarendon will hold a public hearing on its proposed budget for the coming year on Thursday, August 25, at 7 p.m.

The Donley County Appraisal District will take public comments on its proposed budget August 24 at 7 p.m.

Clarendon College Regents will meet for a hearing on its proposed tax rate of \$0.252535 on August 18 at 5:45 p.m. and will also have a budget hearing on August 18 at 5:30 p.m.

Read more about these hearings in the Public Notices throughout the Enterprise. The public is invited and encouraged to attend these meetings.

## COVID-19 spikes in month of July here

COVID-19 has not gone away, and cases recently spiked in Donley County.

The Clarendon Family Medical Center confirmed 49 cases of the disease during the month of July out of 86 tests administered. That's up from 12 cases in June and two in May.

July's figures are the highest since 99 cases were confirmed in January followed by 24 in February. As of August 11, the clinic had confirmed 10 cases this month.

Donley County Judge John Howard, MD, says the clinic is seeing a milder version of the virus which is not causing the same morbidity as prior variants.



# City council okays street improvement bid

The Clarendon City Council accepted a bid for street work and proposed a tax rate for the coming year during a busy agenda at its regular meeting August 11.

City Administrator David Dockery said aldermen approved a \$127,000 proposal from Lipam Asphalt Paving to seal coat about

30 blocks this fall. That work will be performed on portions of Clarendon Avenue, Bugbee Avenue, Fourth Street, Allen Street, Sims Street, Carhart Street, and possible Jefferson Street.

The council also proposed a tax rate for fiscal year 2023 of \$0.607285 per \$100 valuation to support its

proposed budget of \$2.9 million. That budget is up from the current \$2.8 million budget. It includes a four percent raise for city employees and does not increase utility or trash fees in the city.

Dockery said the city has a capital improvement plan budget of \$615,000, which includes \$412,000

in COVID-relief funds from the federal government. The council will still have to decide how best to spend that money, but some possible uses are more street repairs or expanded broadband capabilities in the city.

The city will hold a budget hearing on August 25 and a tax hearing on September 8.

Aldermen reviewed the city administrator's performance and gave him the same four percent raise.

The council also approved Paula Lowrie as the city's designee to comply with tax codes, and approved special events at the Clarendon Aquatic Center on August 19 and September 5.



## School days return

Teagan and Bennet Chesser smile in front of the Clarendon Elementary School marquee before heading to class Monday morning as the 2022-2023 school year got underway. See more First Day photos from Clarendon inside this week's Enterprise. COURTESY PHOTO

# Clarendon sets August sales tax record

The City of Clarendon recorded its second highest monthly sales tax revenue when Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar distributed allocations to municipal governments last week.

The allocation of \$53,095.29 was the highest ever figure for August and beat a record set in November 2020 for the second highest month for the city.

This August's figure was an increase of 11.98 percent over one year ago and was also higher than the previous August record of \$49,677.44 set in 2020. The best month on record for the city was May 2019 with an allocation of \$56,593.

Last week's allocation brings the city to \$339,613.22 for the calendar year-to-date, an increase

of 6.7 percent of the same period in 2021.

The City of Howardwick also posted a gain last week with an allocation of \$2,109.71, up 15.69 percent from one year ago.

The lakeside city is now up 6.49 percent for the year-to-date at \$12,902.60.

Hedley's August allocation fell 60.07 percent to \$1,265.62 with

the year-to-date figure falling 16.62 percent to \$7,912.23.

Statewide, Hegar delivered \$1.2 billion in local sales tax allocations for August, 10.8 percent more than in August 2021.

These allocations are based on sales made in June by businesses that report tax monthly and on sales made in April, May, and June by quarterly filers.

# CC Regents to consider '23 budget

Clarendon College Regents will consider a \$10.2 million budget for fiscal year 2023 following a public hearing this Thursday, August 18.

CC President Tex Buckhaults says the proposed budget is slightly higher than the current \$9.95 million budget and is supported by a proposed tax rate of \$0.252535, which will generate about \$57,000 in new revenue.

The college tax levy in Donley County is expected to collect about \$705,000. The remainder of the budget is funded by the state, student tuition and fees, and other sources.

The new tax money raised in

Donley County will go into physical improvements on the Clarendon campus, Buckhaults said.

The new budget includes a three percent raise for most college employees and a \$1 per hour raise for any employees not making at least \$15 per hour. The new budget does not raise tuition or fees since regents already approved raise those revenue items earlier this year.

In other recent college news, the CC Board of Regents met June 24 for a regular meeting. Among the agenda items at that meeting, the board evaluated the performance of the board itself and of President Buckhaults. Following his evaluation, the president's

contract was extended through June 2024.

In July, Brittney Word was appointed to fill a vacancy on the board of regents, and the board heard a presentation from Gordian regarding development of a master plan for campus improvements.

Buckhaults said regents approved a three-year agreement totaling \$68,000 with the company to help prioritize needed campus improvements. The company would also help the college develop funding solutions or financing for those improvements.

Regents also accepted a bid on athletic insurance at a savings of about \$17,000 over last year.

# Senior Thang will benefit senior center this Saturday

The excitement is building the second annual "That Senior Thang" prepares to hit Clarendon this Saturday evening, August 20, with activities, food, and fun for people of all ages.

With proceeds benefiting the Donley County Senior Citizens Center, organizers have lined up live music, free games, food vendors, competitions, a country store, Chicken Drop Bingo, a 50/50 raffle, and more to have something to do for people of all ages.

"I'm very excited," DCSC Director Denise Bertrand said. "Our volunteers are coming in, we have a lot of items coming to our country store, and our 50/50 raffle is up to \$4,500, which means we'll give away more than \$2,250!"

Bertrand says the event features new competitions, new sponsors, new games for little children, and added things in the concession stand.

"We have school athletes coming to help, the COEA is bringing in tables for us, the Lions Club will be volunteering, and the college cross country team is helping also," Bertrand said.

Saturday's fundraiser starts with the sale of barbecue chicken halves at noon. No advance orders are being taken for the chicken, Bertrand says. It will simply be a "first come, first served" sale with pick up and go. Chicken halves are \$6 each.

The "Thang" itself will start at 5:00 p.m. and run until 9 o'clock in the streets on the corner of Gorst and 4th.

Competitions will include water balloon volleyball, balloon blast, watermelon seed spitting, wheelchair races, jalapeno eating, red Solo cup stacking, and Texas skis.

Among the free activities will be corn hole, ladder ball, horseshoes, football toss, duck pond, sand dig, and a roping dummy.

Concessions will be available with barbecue beef sandwiches, pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs, homemade ice cream, and watermelon.

The entire community is invited and encouraged to attend and participate in That Senior Thang. Keep up with "That Senior Thang" at Facebook.com/DonleyCountySeniorCitizens.

For more Senior Thang information, contact Denise Bertrand at 806-874-2665.



## Book signings

Local authors Shellie Coles, Julie Altman Barker, and Ashlyn Tubbs Grotegut met readers and fans at the Burton Memorial Library last Friday to sign their children's books.

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# College builds leaders, which builds families

By Walter Wendler & Mike Knox

Historically, leadership was naturally developed in the home. Families had a built-in leadership structure. Children learned first to follow then grow as leaders when they left home, self-perpetuating the cycle of growing leaders and strong families. As the family structures have broken down, natural leadership factories have also degraded, leaving a gap that colleges can attempt to fill.

Students spend about 1,000 hours in school during the school year, slightly over ten percent of their time. The balance of time in a given day is split nearly 50/50 between sleep, being at home and other activities. Implied in all this is that what students see at home and school in leadership and followership may be carried into later life. Suppose students who have attended university with positive leadership experiences can help instill those in their children. In that case, our efforts at the university could have a positive impact on family leadership.

No matter your views on family life, families are nearly essential for a free society. The leadership of the family helps create strength and resilience. William Bennett, former United States Secretary of Education, wrote in the New York Times, "The family is the nucleus of civilization and the basic social unit of society." The piece was entitled "Stronger Families, Stronger Societies." Scott Yenor, in National Affairs, likewise addressed the importance of the form and function of the American family:

All political communities depend on people marrying and raising children for their perpetuation. The most obvious end of a marriage is procreation, but, in a free, democratic society like ours, children must also be taught within families to take on the responsibilities of freedom and citizenship if the country is to survive and thrive. Indeed, until just a generation ago, it was uncontroversial to say that the family was the cornerstone of a well-ordered political community.

Margaret Thatcher, in the speech at the St. Lawrence Jewry, tackled the concept that the family was "the moral basis for free society." There were no apologies about why this was important.

The Harvard Business Review suggests that our family dynamics shape how we behave in the workplace. Many aspects of life experience in the home are identified. Making sense of early family events, understanding how we behave with our team today and making changes happen are all traits instilled and developed in family life. These traits are important in various university leadership opportunities provided to students.

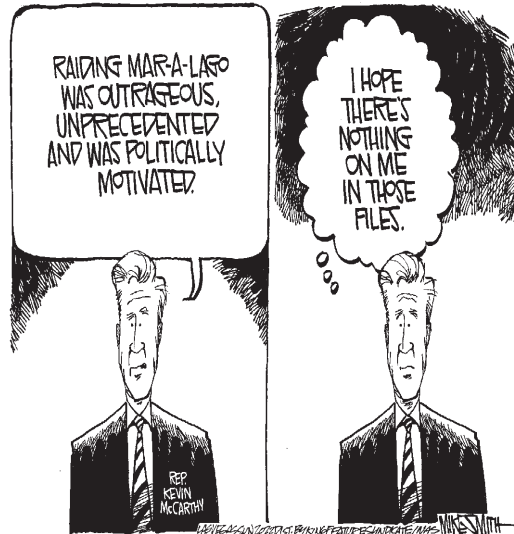
Bright Horizons provides resources for family life. Many parenting skills that work in the home are the same skills identified in our student leadership programs at West Texas A&M University. Trust, training, teamwork and a growth mindset are all strong compliments for any student leadership program. Dyke and Terry Rogers generously contributed more than \$1 million to develop Rogers LEAD WT. The core values of the program resonate with attributes and capabilities that work in the home. These include acting with integrity, serving, striving for excellence, working together and planning to succeed in one's dream.

The home and the family are critically important places for engendering leadership skills. Young people are likely to emulate what they see at home in places of study and work. But not all of those experiences are effectively developing strong leaders. To that end, it is critical for all universities to engender strong leadership skills in students, with a lofty aspiration of shoring up what may be lacking, and more importantly, to shape the future of family leadership. Required courses in leadership may assist, but the experiential realities of working with a group of people in a hands-on approach have great value.

The changing nature of American family life creates a complex and challenging environment for the sustenance of families and the leadership they help provide in a free society. While the world changes around us, definitions of social organizations that have existed since nearly the beginning of time are changing. However, we can be sure of this – strong families with strong leaders build strong communities, which in turn support strong families. Strong families are self-perpetuating, as are strong communities.

That is part of our job in the Texas Panhandle.

Walter V. Wendler is President of West Texas A&M University. His weekly columns are available at <https://walterwendler.com/>. Mike Knox is the Vice President for Student Enrollment Engagement and Success at West Texas A&M University



# Texas celebrated Thanksgiving first

The Pilgrims arrived at Plymouth Colony in 1620, and after a nearly disastrous winter, they planted and reaped a bounteous harvest the following year. As a gesture to their God in thanking Him for their deliverance from near starvation, and to solidify their friendly relationship with the neighboring Indians, Governor William Bradford appointed a day in the autumn of 1621 as a day of "feasting and thanksgiving." This feast has become known to later generations as America's first Thanksgiving. But far away from Massachusetts, and long before the year 1621, another Thanksgiving was celebrated on what is now American soil.

In January 1598, Don Juan de Oñate, a wealthy mine owner from Zacatecas, Mexico, set out from southern

Chihuahua with 500 settlers, including ten Franciscan priests and several lay brothers, to colonize the province of New Mexico.

The group consisted of Spaniards, Mexican Indians, and a few Africans. After traveling three months across hot, parched, and desolate lands, the group arrived at a spot on the Rio Grande River where they could pass over to the other side. Oñate gave the name of El Paso del Rio del Norte (the Pass of the River of the North) to the area, and the city of El Paso was later established at that spot.

After crossing the river, the tired

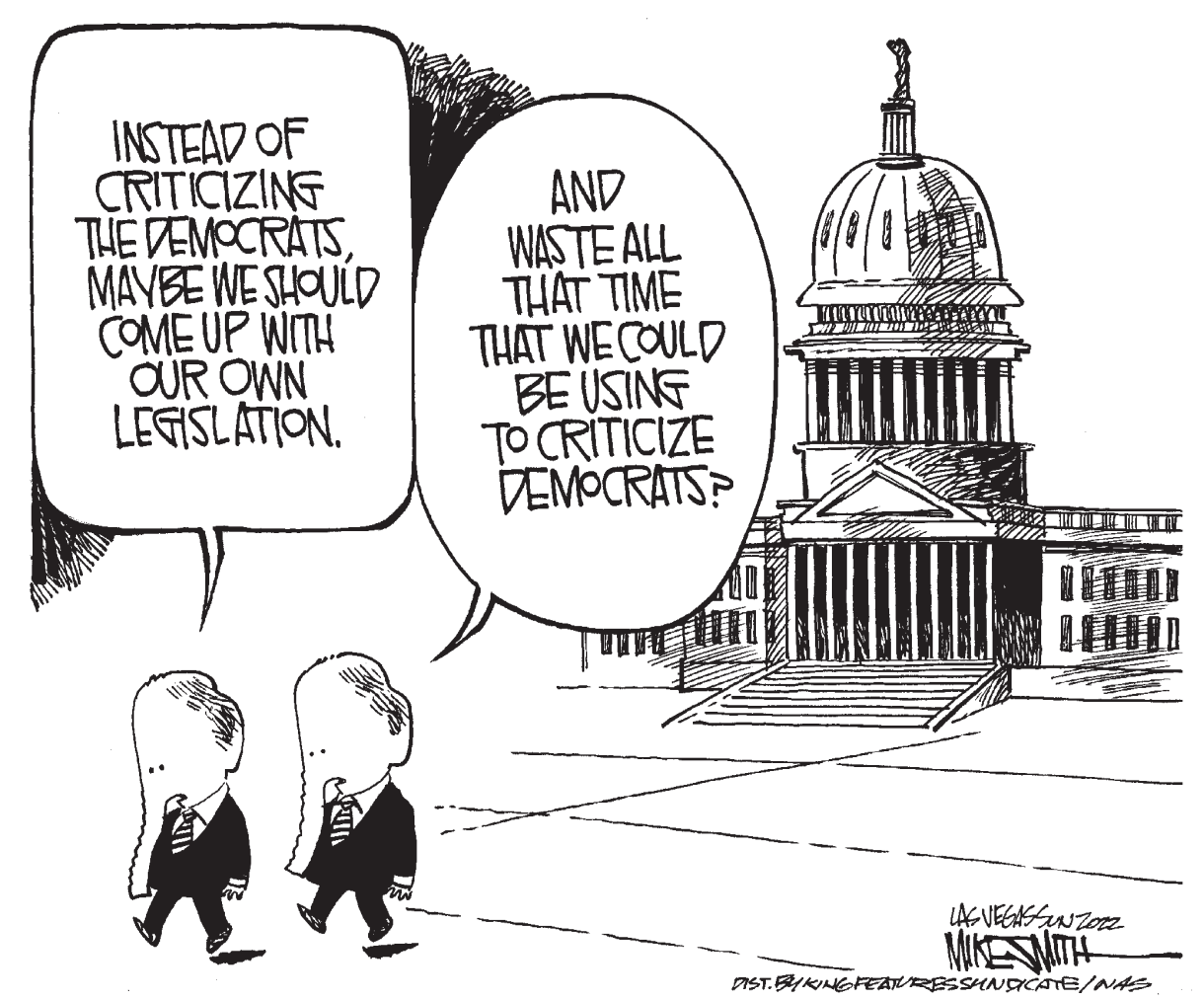


**vignettes**  
tales of the old west  
by george u. hubbard

settlers paused for a few days at a spot now occupied by present day San Elizario, about 15 miles southeast of El Paso, where they refreshed themselves and gave thanks to their God. In their celebration, held on April 30, 1598 (23 years before the Pilgrims), they expressed their thanks with a solemn mass followed by a sumptuous feast.

After several days of rest and revitalization, Oñate and his party moved onward into New Mexico. Anglo settlement of the El Paso area was yet to come. But with regard to the Thanksgiving observance, modern-day Texans who like to brag about their state can claim another "first."

George U. Hubbard is an author and a former resident of Clarendon.



# New play for horse lovers and others

A trio of professional horse trainers, two of them with doctors' degrees and one with a masters, recently wrote a play with a long title: "Two Old Cowboys Talking at the Best Little Horse House in Texas."

"It's clean," says Dr. Michael Johnson of Commerce, one of the authors. "It's a parody of characters that we've all known."

He is an expert on horse behavior and has written books on the subject. His co-author is his friend Greg Dial of Blanco. The third member of the cast is Dr. Mary Marzak of La Grange, a veterinarian.

"We were going to do this and if it bombed, we would never do it again," says Michael. "It didn't bomb."

Obviously, the play is about horses and some of the characters involved with the proper care and training of them. But the play's appeal extends beyond horse lovers.

Michael says when he started, he

was going to tell this unique story about growing up on a ranch and make people laugh. "I was so wrong. It did make people laugh, not because it was a unique story but because it was a universal story."

One of the characters Michael plays is a teenager.

"This kid jumps on stage. Jimmy Joe Jones. Eighteen years old, knows everything in the world. You can't tell him anything. And everybody in the audience knows who he is because they either were one or they raised one."

He also plays a shyster horse trainer named Bronco Bill.

"I tell Mary what can I do for you,



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darlin'? I can give you anything you need for your horse. It'll be real cheap and very effective, guaranteed success. We promise we can train your horse and if we can't your horse is an idiot and you need to get rid of him."

The play is scripted with some improvisation. One of the first times it was presented was at Fort Griffin State Park near Albany.

"Before we were gonna go on, I had a sinking spell. Not nervousness, just some thoughts that it's short, trite, it's not funny. But I was wrong. The audience really liked it. They recognized all the characters and have gone through the same things depicted in the play. I wondered if the reason it was so well received was because all those people there were pretty skilled horsemen or did they like it because it was like "Greater Tuna"? I thought maybe it was because we were speaking to our tribe. I don't think that anymore."



# Blood donors can win European Cruise

Coffee Memorial Blood Center is celebrating the FDA’s reversal on European blood donor deferrals by giving all blood donors the chance to win a European Cruise Vacation, provided by Nu Homes Oklahoma.

The FDA recently reversed its deferral for vCJD (mad cow disease) for potential blood donors who had spent time in Europe, including many military families stationed abroad.

To welcome back previously deferred blood donors and celebrate the good news, all successful blood donors\* (at the donor center or any mobile blood drive) from August 17-21 are eligible to win the European Cruise Vacation!

Plus, donors also receive

a free travel tote, free Boots & Badges t-shirt, \$10 bonus play card to Cinergy Entertainment and a free coffee and donut coupon from Dunkin’ Donuts.

Based on updated evidence, the FDA’s new guidance removes the deferral recommendations associated with risk of vCJD for time spent in the United Kingdom from 1980-1996; time spent in France and Ireland from 1980-2001; and receipt of a blood transfusion in the U.K., France or Ireland from 1980-present.

“We are grateful to see the FDA use the latest scientific data to adjust deferral rules, allowing us to welcome back many donors, and invite in countless others who have not attempted to donate due to the

restrictions,” said John Armitage, M.D., president, and CEO of Coffee Memorial Blood Center. “This move will help expand our donor pool, as there is an ongoing need for blood donation, especially during the summer months.”

Donors of all blood types can give at the nearest donor center or mobile blood drive.

Blood can be donated every 56 days. Platelets can be given as often as every seven days, up to 24 times a year.

Appointments to donate can be made by online at yourbloodinstitute.org or calling 806-331-8833. Blood donation typically takes only about an hour, and one donation saves up to three lives.

# Randall Ag Day will focus on drought management

The 45th annual Randall County Ag Day and Crops Tour, hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, is set for Aug. 30 at the Kuhlman Extension Center, 200 N. Brown Road, Canyon.

The program will run from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. and include a free lunch. An RSVP is requested by Aug. 26 at <https://tx.ag/randallagday> or by calling the AgriLife Extension office at 806-468-5543.

This event is free, with the registration and lunch covered by Happy State Bank of Canyon. Breaks and refreshments are sponsored by Palo Duro Soil and Water Conservation District and Plains Land Bank.

Three general Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units will be available for private pesticide applicators.

The Randall County Ag Day and Crops Tour is the largest-attended agricultural educational event that AgriLife Extension in Randall County hosts each year, said J. D. Ragland, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent in Randall County.

“With limited crops expected to be harvested this fall due to drought conditions, we feel like many producers may not be aware or clearly understand all the new

assistance programs that are currently available for both crops and livestock,” Ragland said. “Our focus will be to provide producers with all the available packages, criteria and signup deadlines.”

This year’s guest speaker will be state Sen. Charles Perry, who serves as the chairman of the Texas Senate Committee on Water, Agriculture and Rural Affairs.

He will present “Water Policies and the Impact for Agriculture Producers.”

The morning session will address crop varieties, conditions and markets. Topics and speakers will be:

2022 Top Wheat Variety Picks, Jourdan Bell, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension agronomist, Amarillo.

Top Three Drought Management Decisions for Cow/Calf Producers, Jason Smith, AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist, Amarillo.

Beef Cattle and Commodity Price Trends and Future Outlook, Justin Benavidez, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension economist, Amarillo.

2022-2023 Producer Assistance Programs/Crop and Livestock Insurance panel discussion — Mark Tucker, Farm Service Agency District 2 director, Muleshoe; Eddie Womack, FSA county executive

director, Swisher County; Rachel Myers, Myers Crop Insurance, Claude; and Kathy Brorman and Kaeli Hales, Ag Specialist Insurance Services, Hereford.

Following the keynote address at noon, the AgriLife Extension Top Hand, Outstanding Result Demonstrator and Outstanding Agribusiness awards for Randall County will be presented.

Afternoon session topics and speakers

The afternoon session will feature the annual tour. Stops on the schedule will be:

No. 1: Depart for Adams Farm, 7 miles south of Canyon, to view the AgriLife Extension sorghum variety study featuring 30 varieties, drone images/video recordings.

No. 2: West Texas A&M University Meats Lab tour — Ty Lawrence, Ph.D., professor of animal science and director of the Meat Laboratory and Beef Carcass Research Center, and Loni Lucherk, Ph.D., assistant professor of animal science, will provide a live beef carcass quality demonstration and evaluation.

For more information, contact Ragland at 806-468-5543 or email him at [j-ragland@tamu.edu](mailto:j-ragland@tamu.edu).

# PBH announces screening initiative

Panhandle Breast Health (PBH) announces the Positively Pink Breast Cancer Screening Initiative. The goal of this program is to decrease the number of breast cancer deaths by increasing the up-to-date mammography rate in a nine-county service area.

Amarillo Area Foundation’s Louise Bowers Slentz Advise and Consult Fund is underwriting the one-year pilot program which focuses on residents in Carson, Donley, Gray, Hemphill, Roberts, Wheeler, Armstrong, Collingsworth, and Hutchinson Counties.

PBH will provide no-cost mammograms to uninsured women aged 40 and over, who have not had a mammogram in the last 12 months and whose household income is not more than 400 percent of the poverty rate; and a limited number of genetic tests for uninsured breast cancer patients. PBH will continue to educate people on cancer screening guidelines and provide breast cancer survivor support.

All nine counties in the service area fall below the statewide average of 74.9 percent of Texas women aged 50-74 who have had a mammogram within the past two years. This is lower than the United States overall, which was 78.8 percent.

The aim of mammography screening is to detect breast cancer as early as possible, primarily to reduce the number of breast cancer deaths but also to reduce the severity of the disease.

Panhandle Breast Health will continue to provide no-cost mammograms to other area residents through funding from the Ryan Palmer Foundation. PBH contracts with BSA Harrington Breast Center for mammography services.

PBH is a nonprofit organization serving the top 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle. Staff and volunteers are available for health fairs and other events as well as presenters for civic organizations. For more information, contact Judy Neill, executive director, at 806-331-4710 or by email at [judy@panhandlebreasthealth.org](mailto:judy@panhandlebreasthealth.org).

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Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

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Community Calendar

**August 19 & 20**  
Minions: The Rise of Gru • Gates open 7:00 p.m. • Sandell Drive In

**August 19, 20, & 21**  
Where the Crawdads Sing • 7:30 p.m. • Mulkey Theater

**August 18**  
Donley County Senior Citizens Bingo/ Music Night. • 5:30 p.m.

**August 20**  
That Senior Thang Games • Donley County Senior Citizens Center

**September 24**  
Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff • See SaintsRoostMuseum.com for information and tickets

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Menus

August 22 - 26

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Taco salad, corn chips, seasoned corn, watermelon, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, stewed okra, seasoned corn, whole wheat roll, pumpkin square, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Baked chicken, baked potato, peas, whole wheat roll, pineapple tidbit, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: BBQ beef brisket, ranch style beans, buttered carrots, cornbread, strawberries, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Roast pork, gravy, sweet potatoes, succotash, whole wheat roll, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Oven fried chicken, bow tie pasta, broccoli raisin salad, fruit cocktail, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tue: Beef enchiladas, borracho beans, Spanish rice, coleslaw, cornbread, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Ham & pinto beans, cornbread, margarine, spinach, seasoned corn, orange pineapple cup, country apple crisp, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thu: Vegetable beef stew, cornbread, margarine, tossed salad w/dressing, orange pineapple cup, diet pumpkin cup, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, lettuce, tomato, onions, bun, brownie, iced tea/2% milk.

**Clarendon ISD**  
Breakfast  
Mon: Pancakes, ham, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Tues: Breakfast taquitos, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Wed: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Thu: Breakfast cookie, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Fri: Donut, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch  
Mon: Country fried steak, gravy, roll, mashed potatoes, okra, strawberries, fruit, milk.  
Tues: Tex-mex stack, beans, carrots, hot cinnamon apples, fruit, milk.  
Wed: Pizza, salad, green beans, peaches, fruit, milk.  
Thu: Popcorn chicken, roll, corn, crunchy broccoli salad, apple, cookie, fruit, milk.  
Fri: Pig in a blanket, fries, tomato cup, snowball salad, fruit, milk.

**Hedley ISD**  
Breakfast  
Mon: Pancakes fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Tues: Breakfast combo, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Wed: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Thu: Breakfast cookie, fruit juice, fruit, milk.  
Fri: Donut holes, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch  
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**New faces**  
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**Summer reader leader**  
Librarian Jerri Shields presents a basket of goodies to Matthew Newhouse last week for winning the Burton Memorial Library's Summer Reading Contest. He read more than 80 books.

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By Rosalie Alviar,  
Social Security Regional Public Affairs

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Supplemental Security Income provides monthly payments to adults and children with a disability or blindness who have income and resources below specific financial limits. SSI also makes payments to people who are age 65 and older without disabilities who meet the financial qualifications. If you plan to apply for SSI, you can tell us you want to apply and we will make an appointment to help you complete the application. Or you can complete a large part of your application online at [www.ssa.gov/benefits/ssi](http://www.ssa.gov/benefits/ssi).

Medicare is a federal health insurance program for people age 65 or older, some people younger than 65 who have disabilities, and people with end-stage renal disease. If you are not already receiving Social Security benefits, and are not working, you should apply for Medicare three months before turning age 65 at [www.ssa.gov/medicare](http://www.ssa.gov/medicare).

Some people with limited resources and income may be able to get Extra Help paying their monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and prescription co-payments related to a Medicare prescription drug plan. People who need assistance with the cost of medications can apply for Extra Help at [www.ssa.gov/i1020](http://www.ssa.gov/i1020).

**Drought management focus at conference**  
The Hemphill County Mini Ag Conference will be hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service office on Sept. 12 at the Hemphill County Exhibition Center, Sand Sage Room, 10865 Exhibition Road, Canadian.

The program will be from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Registration is \$25, and lunch is included. Those planning to attend should register by Sept. 9 by calling 806-323-9114 or emailing [christa.perry@ag.tamu.edu](mailto:christa.perry@ag.tamu.edu).

“With the raging drought and input costs, this year's Mini Ag Conference topics will be very timely and certainly critical to our area producers,” said Andy Holloway, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent in Hemphill County. “It's all about those numbers, and we will be diving deep into the numbers surrounding input costs and expended outcomes.”

Topics and speakers will be: Taking Advantage of Opportunities Created by Drought – Jason Smith, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist, Amarillo. Drought, Challenges and Opportunities — Justin Benavidez, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension economist, Amarillo. All About Pasture Range Forage Rainfall Insurance – Gordon Clark, Amarillo, and Tarlton Holloway, Dumas, both with Silveus Insurance Group. Risk Management and Livestock Risk Protection – Donna Hughes, StoneX, Abilene. Our Climate and What We Can Expect Fall 2022-Spring 2023 – Brian Bledsoe, climatologist, meteorologist and rancher, Colorado Springs, Colorado. Drought Planning and Range Management During Dry Pasture Conditions — Tim Steffens, Ph.D., range management specialist with AgriLife Extension and West Texas A&M University, Canyon.

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## Obituaries

### Robinson

Ruth Word Robinson, 93, of Clarendon died Wednesday, August 10, 2022, in Clarendon.

Services will be held at 10:00

a.m. Friday, August 19, 2022 (on her 94th birthday) in the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon with Rev. Terry Tamplen, officiating. Burial will follow in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon.



Robinson

Viewing will be held Thursday, August 18, 2022, at the funeral home with the family receiving friends for visitation from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

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

Ruth was born August 19, 1928, in Clarendon to William Marvin and Charlie May Taylor Patman. She was a lifelong resident of Clarendon where she was a graduate of Clarendon High School and Clarendon College. She then attended West Texas State University where she was a member of the Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority and was voted Personality Queen and Sun Bowl Princess. She married Robertson Ingham Word on June 25, 1949 and he preceded her in death on May 10, 1973. Ruth had a rewarding teaching and counseling career, working at Idalou, Pleasant Valley, Vernon, Hereford, and Clarendon Jr. College. She later married Joe Frank Robinson on January 21, 1977 and he preceded her in death on March 22, 2017. Ruth was involved in many organizations in Clarendon where she served as President of the Saints' Roost Museum board from 1999-2002, member of the Clarendon College Board of Regents, Friends of the Library, Red Hatters Society, Donley County Historical Commission, and the Donley County Courthouse Lighting Committee to name a few. She was a proud relative of Col. Charles Goodnight and was a lifetime member of the First United Methodist Church.

Ruth was loved by many, and she loved deeply in return. Some of her favorite loves include, of course, her family, her friends, and the many students whose lives she touched over the years. But also Clarendon Jr. College, the First United Methodist Church of Clarendon, and the Willard Skelton Sunday School class. She got a particular delight playing

Rummy Dummy with her friends, entertaining Goodnight relatives at the Saints' Roost Chuckwagon Cook-off, and watching (and loudly cheering for) Patrick Mahomes. And we would be remiss if we failed to mention her abiding affection for Sonic ice, clearance sales at Talbots and Dillards, Snickers chocolate bars, and Diet Coke.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husbands; a stepson, Jim Robinson; a step son-in-law, Ronny Longan; and three brothers, Ardis, Allen, and Billy Patman.

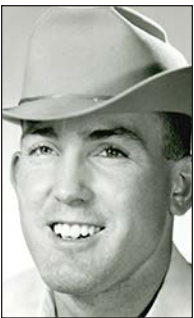
She is survived by her son, Bill Word of Clarendon; her daughter, Libby Talley and husband Billy of Amarillo; her stepchildren, Jack Robinson and wife Susan of Amarillo, Joe Robinson, Jr. of Junction, and Janny Longan of Howardwick; 14 grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren; and several nieces, nephews, and extended family.

The family requests that memorials be sent to the First United Methodist Church in Clarendon.

### Moreman

Jack Arnold Moreman, 87, of Clarendon died August 16, 2022, in Southlake, Texas.

Graveside services are scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 20, 2022, Rowe Cemetery in Hedley with Chris Downer officiating. Moreman



Viewing will be held Friday at the funeral home with family receiving friends for visitation from 5:00-7:00 p.m.

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

Jack was born June 15, 1935, in Hedley, to Ray and Oleta Moreman. He graduated from Hedley High School and attended Clarendon College where he graduated with an associate degree. Later, he graduated from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Husbandry as well as a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Education. While at Tech, Jack was employed by the Department of Animal Husbandry at the Beef Cattle Center and was also the Horse Herdsman. After graduating, he went to work for the Texas Animal Health Commission doing Bangs testing in Jeff Davis, Brewster, and Presidio counties in far West Texas.

Jack went into the U.S. Army where he trained with the Ninth Infantry Division in Fort Carson,

Colorado. He served with the Eighth Army in Korea and with the Fourth Army in Fort Hood, Texas. While still in the U.S. Army, Jack married the love of his life, Freddie Jo Carter on June 12, 1959. Two children came out of this marriage, Phillip Wesley and Melody Gay.

After release from the Army, Jack worked as the manager of the Doneghy Ranches in Wellington, and Henryetta, Oklahoma for 8 years. Jack was also Feedlot Manager of the Alpha-Omega Feedyard in Hereford, a 40,000 head feedyard and 8,000 head summer programs in New Mexico and Colorado. Jack became the Assistant Director of the Ranch Management Program at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth, Texas, for two years.

Jack later became the Manager of the JA Cattle Company in Palo Dura, Texas and Colorado. He left the ranch to become the Director of the Ranch and Feedlot Program at Clarendon College in 1974 and retired from that position in 1994. He then devoted his time to L&M Seed Company and Rolling Plains Ag Compost Inc., where he took care of nine feedyard's manure, making compost of the manure and applying to farms and ranch land. Jack eventually sold the equipment and inventory in 2017 and retired at 84 years old.

Jack served 38 years on the Donley County Soil and Water Conservation District board as the Vice President, and he received the Conservation Business Man award in 2018 at the district convention. Jack also served for over 20 years on the Clarendon College Board of Regents as well as on the Selective Service Board. He was awarded the Pioneer of the Year in 2014 from the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce. Jack was a member of the American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars, and he was the Commander of the American Legion, Post 287 Adamson-Lane in Hedley, TX. He was also a lifetime member of the Methodist Church, serving as Financial Chairman. He attended the Walk to Emmaus and was involved in the Kairo's Prison Ministry.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

He is survived by his wife Freddie Jo Moreman; son, Phillip Moreman; daughter, Melody Sanderson and her husband Brent Sanderson, three grandchildren and their spouses Megan Baldock and her husband Hayden, Matt Sanderson and his wife Chandler, Mallory Hennessy and her husband Brandon. He had four great grandchildren, Rory Baldock, Adrinna Sanderson, Witt Sanderson and Lincoln Hennessy.

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- Influential Swedish, Belgian clan
- Swiss river
- Nocturnal S. American rodent
- Like coagulated milk
- Lima is its capital
- Lying down
- Jai \_\_, sport
- Egyptian statesman
- Napoleon Dynamite's uncle
- Renovated
- Chadic language
- 18-year period
- Beverage container
- Natural logarithm
- The "mecca" of basketball
- A way to darken
- Mackerels
- Actor Pitt
- Places to buy seafood
- True firs
- Neither
- Fencing sword
- Italian pastas
- Island nation close to the U.S.
- Begets
- Resembles a pouch
- \_\_ student, learns healing
- Sodium
- Indicates position
- The world has one
- Partner to pains
- Photographer
- Chew the fat
- Culture of the British Iron Age
- Weaverbird
- Advice or counsel
- Asian nation
- Brought on board
- German river
- Airborne (abbr.)
- Leaf-footed bug genus

### CLUES DOWN

- Mark left behind
- Cry weakly
- Ancient region in modern Syria
- Farewell
- Blue grass state
- Genus of mosquitoes
- S. Israeli city
- You can get stuck in one
- One who mistrusts others unjustifiably
- First month of ancient Hebrew calendar
- Tigers legend Fielder
- Make more attractive
- Horses
- Slight projection in typefaces
- Male parent
- Jack and Jill are two
- After B
- Licensed for Wall Street
- Missile with about 600-mile range
- Goddesses
- A day kids love
- Oily secretion
- One-tenth of a meter
- A father's male child
- One point east of southeast
- Silk garments
- Cool!
- The color of anger
- Trade profession
- It can get you around
- Mother-of-pearl
- Hurt
- Legendary slugger Hank
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## DPS offers tips, resources for new school year

As the new school year gets underway, the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) reminds drivers to use extra caution in and around school zones and neighborhoods. This includes knowing the Texas laws about driving near stopped school buses and not using cell phones when you're behind the wheel. It also means utilizing the many safety resources available to parents, school staff and students.

"Heading back to school is such an exciting time and we all need to work together to ensure everyone stays safe," said DPS Director Steven McCraw. "Please, be cautious and do your part by talking to your kids about safety, reporting suspicious activity and by following traffic laws in and around school zones."

DPS offers these tips for back to school safety:

Give students extra room and don't assume they are paying attention to traffic. Students are frequently distracted by mobile devices or listening on electronic devices and may not be paying attention to their surroundings.

Don't block a crosswalk when stopped at a red light or stop sign.

Follow the directions of school crossing guards.

Watch for children on bicycles traveling to and from schools.

Reduce your speed when you spot a school bus and know children may unexpectedly step into the road without checking for oncoming traffic.

Be careful around railroad crossings. School buses are legally required to stop at them.

Know laws regarding school buses. According to Texas law, if a bus has alternating flashing red signals visible from the front or rear, drivers MUST stop before reaching the bus. Drivers can only proceed

if the flashing lights are no longer activated, the driver signals you to proceed or the bus has resumed driving. Approaching drivers do NOT have to stop for a school bus that is operating a visual signal if the road is separated by a physical barrier or an intervening space. If a highway is only divided by a left-turn lane, it is not considered divided and drivers must stop for school buses.

Drivers who illegally pass a school bus face fines up to \$1,250 for the first offense. For people convicted of the offense more than once, the law allows for the person's driver license to be suspended for up to six months. A ticket for this offense cannot be dismissed through defensive driving. Criminal charges are possible if a driver causes someone serious bodily injury.

Always obey speed limits and traffic laws in school zones.

Remember, texting while driving is illegal in Texas.

DPS would also like to remind students, parents, teachers, and school administrators about some other safety tools available during the school year.

The iWatchTexas program is a critical resource for reporting suspicious activity in schools and communities in order to help prevent dangerous attacks. Everyone is urged to download the free iOS or Android mobile app prior to the start of the school year. Tips can be reported via the website, the mobile app or by calling 844-643-2251. All reports are confidential. For information on how to use iWatchTexas, you can view this how-to video.

Remember, iWatchTexas is not for emergencies. If there is an emergency on a school campus or in a community, call 911 immediately. Also, the program can be used to

report suspicious activity in areas other than schools.

The Texas School Safety Center is another useful tool for school security. It's part of Texas State University and offers valuable resources on school safety for parents and members of the school community. It's designed to be a central location for research, training and technical information for all school districts, charter schools and community colleges in the state. The Texas School Safety Center has staff experienced in school safety and can provide technical assistance or training, conduct program evaluations or offer resources to schools. Classes are also available online for the community.

Finally, on Sept. 1, 2021, DPS implemented the Active Shooter Alert System. This is not school-specific but could be used in the event of a shooting at or near a school. The newly implemented alert system is designed to notify people in close proximity to an active shooter situation through cell phones, local broadcast media and Texas Department of Transportation Dynamic Message Signs (DMS), to encourage people to avoid the area or shelter-in-place.

DPS will issue an Active Shooter Alert when an agency submits a request that meets the requirements.

Those include an active shooter in the agency's jurisdiction, determining that the alert would assist people near the active shooter's location, verification of the active shooter situation through a preliminary investigation by the requesting agency and that the shooter's last known location is identifiable.

Utilizing all resources, Texans can keep schools safe.



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX INCREASE

A tax rate of \$0.607285 per \$100 valuation has been proposed by the governing body of City of Clarendon.

PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.607285 per \$100
NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE	\$0.586749 per \$100
VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE	\$0.607285 per \$100

The no-new-revenue tax rate is the tax rate for the 2022 tax year that will raise the same amount of property tax revenue for City of Clarendon from the same properties in both the 2021 tax year and the 2022 tax year.

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

The proposed tax rate is greater than the no-new-revenue tax rate. This means that City of Clarendon is proposing to increase property taxes for the 2022 tax year.

A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE WILL BE HELD ON September 8, 2022 AT 6:30 pm AT 313 S SULLY ST CLARENDON TEXAS.

The proposed tax rate is not greater than the voter-approval tax rate. As a result, City of Clarendon is not required to hold an election at which voters may accept or reject the proposed tax rate. However, you may express your support for or opposition to the proposed tax rate by contacting the members of the Board of Aldermen of City of Clarendon at their offices or by attending the public hearing mentioned above. YOUR TAXES OWED UNDER ANY OF THE RATES MENTIONED ABOVE CAN BE CALCULATED AS FOLLOWS:

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

FOR the proposal:	Terri Floyd	Tommy Hill
	Eulaine McIntosh	Larry Jeffers
	John Lockhart	

AGAINST the proposal: None

PRESENT and not voting:None

ABSENT: None

Visit [Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes](https://www.texas.gov/PropertyTaxes) to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

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

The following table compares the taxes imposed on the average residence homestead by City of Clarendon last year to the taxes proposed to be imposed on the average residence homestead by City of Clarendon this year.

	2021	2022	Change
Total tax rate (per \$100 of value)	\$0.613750	\$0.607285	decrease of -0.006465, or -1.05%
Average homestead taxable value	\$49,967	\$55,481	increase of 5,514, or 11.04%
Tax on average homestead	\$306.67	\$336.93	increase of 30.26, or 9.87%
Total tax levy on all properties	\$323,126	\$337,568	increase of 14,442, or 4.47%

For assistance with tax calculations, please contact the tax assessor for City of Clarendon at 806-874-2744 or [PAULA.LOWRIE@DONLEYCAD.ORG](mailto:PAULA.LOWRIE@DONLEYCAD.ORG), or visit <https://www.clarendontx.com/> for more information.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The \_\_\_\_\_ Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District \_\_\_\_\_ will hold a public meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ 6:30 p.m., Monday, August 29, 2022 \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ the Administration & Technology Building, 416 S. Allen \_\_\_\_\_ Clarendon, Texas \_\_\_\_\_. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ _____ 0.9901 _____ /\$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	
Approved by Local Voters	\$ _____ 0.0000 _____ /\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

### Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	<u>0.49</u> % increase or <u>0.00</u> % (decrease)
Debt service	<u>0.00</u> % increase or <u>0.00</u> % (decrease)
Total expenditures	<u>0.49</u> % increase or <u>0.00</u> % (decrease)

### Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ <u>716,805,862</u>	\$ <u>710,077,505</u>
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ <u>1,739,394</u>	\$ <u>1,404,665</u>
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ <u>212,359,931</u>	\$ <u>213,542,070</u>
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ <u>1,551,128</u>	\$ <u>1,404,665</u>

\* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).  
\*\* "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).  
\*\*\* "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

### Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness\* \$ \_\_\_\_\_ 0

\* Outstanding principal.

### Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$ 0.9901	\$ 0.0000 *	\$ 0.9901	\$ 4,838	\$ 8,703
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$ 1.00566	\$ 0.0000 *	\$ 1.00566	\$ 5,197	\$ 8,344
Proposed Rate	\$ 0.9901	\$ 0.0000 *	\$ 0.9901	\$ 4,859	\$ 8,732

\* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

### Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 75,296	\$ 87,101
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 50,821	\$ 41,978
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$ 0.9901	\$ 0.9901
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 503.18	\$ 415.62
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ (87.56)

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 0.9901 \_\_\_\_\_. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of 0.9901 \_\_\_\_\_.

### Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 4,135,973
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 0

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

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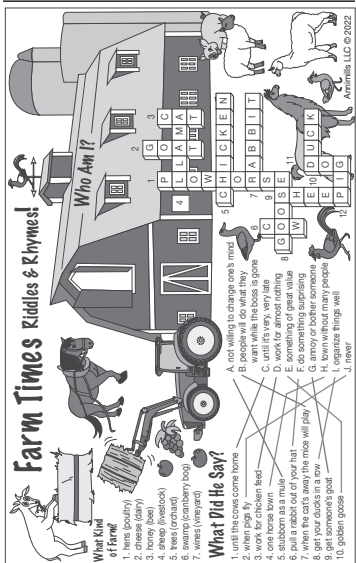
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Pursuant to Article 116.02(b) the contract shall be for Four-year term, the contract shall allow the County to establish, on the basis of negotiations with the bank, new interest rates and financial terms of the contract that will take effect during the final two years of the four-year contract.

del centro de Clarendon, Texas, con una infraestructura ya establecida. Las aceras propuestas serán reemplazadas en la Zona de Acrea Especial de Riesgo de Inundación "A0" y número determinado en el Mapa de FEMA Números 481584 0001 A, a partir del 19 de agosto de 1986. El Mapa de FEMA FIRMI muestra parte de la ubicación del sitio del proyecto ubicado en la llanura aluvial de 100 años. Según el ingeniero, la superficie estimada del sitio del proyecto en la llanura aluvial es de 0.34 acres. La Ciudad de Clarendon ha considerado las siguientes alternativas y medidas de mitiga-

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Atención: David Dockery, administrador de la ciudad

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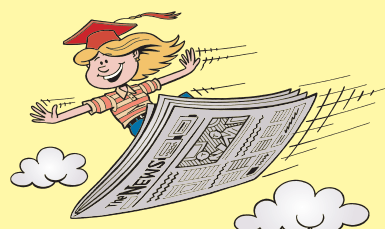
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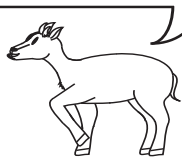


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What kind of farms have you visited?



Kids: color stuff in!



Hi everyone. It's me, Peak, again! This week I'm visiting my cousin at the farm. There are lots of different animals here. Get a piece of paper and list all the ones you can think of. Then, do my farm puzzle!

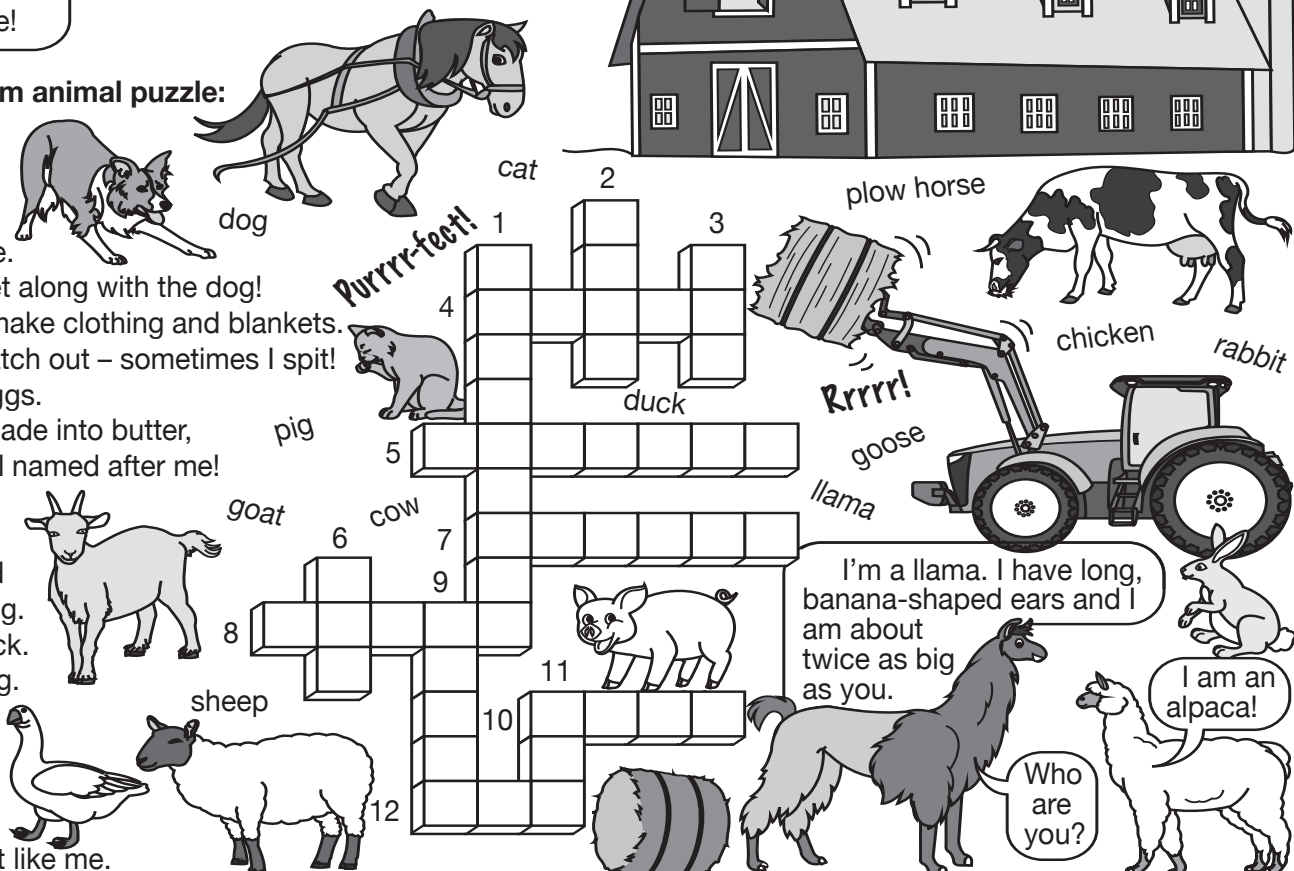
# Farm Times

## Riddles & Rhymes!

## Who Am I?

Read the riddles to fill in this farm animal puzzle:

1. Most farmers use tractors, but I still may help to break ground in some fields or pull heavy loads.
2. I can eat many kinds of plants. My milk may be drunk or made into cheese. I don't have a "baaaaaad" attitude.
3. I am the "purrfect" pet. I chase mice away. I may not get along with the dog!
4. I have a long neck like a camel. My soft fur is used to make clothing and blankets. I can help carry things up mountains. I am calm, but watch out – sometimes I spit!
5. If I am a rooster, I crow at sunrise. If I am a hen, I lay eggs.
6. I might eat hay, grass, barley or corn. My milk can be made into butter, cheese, yogurt and ice cream. I even have a type of bell named after me!
7. I have long ears and great hearing. I may freeze when frightened, then thump the ground to warn others.
8. I lay eggs. My feathers are used for pillows. I have good eyesight and honk loudly when something seems wrong.
9. My fluffy wool ranges in color from creamy white to black. It is sheared and used for making clothing and carpeting.
10. Some say I like damp and rainy weather. My babies follow me in a line. I have webbed feet for swimming.
11. I help to herd and gather sheep. I guard and protect.
12. I have a pink curly tail. I lie in mud to keep cool. When someone makes a mess, others may joke that they act like me.



I'm a llama. I have long banana-shaped ears and I am about twice as big as you.

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The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting August 16, 2022, with Boss Lion Pro Tem David Dockery in charge.

We had 20 members and Sweetheart Laney Gates present this week.

Lion Scarlet Estlack reported on the college where classes start Wednesday this week. Lion Jacob Fangman reported on the city, which has approved doing more seal coat work on more than 30 blocks of streets and has also approved a late-night swim following the football scrimmage Friday night with reduced admission charges — only two dollars per person.

Lion Shelly Chavira reported on the 'Wick and also promoted the Lions Bingo Brunch on Saturday, September 10. Tickets are \$40 each or a table of eight for \$40 with several fabulous prizes up for grabs. Tickets are available at the Enterprise.

Lion Anndria Newhouse reported on the Senior Thang this coming Saturday. Lions will be helping the Senior Citizens center with the event, which is shaping up to be even better than last year.

Orders are still being taken for members to purchase Clarendon Lions shirts and vests. Contact Lion Roger to order.

Lion Bobbie Thornberry will bring the sign-up sheet next week for the Labor Day flag service and encouraged Lions to help take tickets during the chuckwagon cookoff on September 24. Lion Larry Capranica reminded everyone about the ice cream social at the college on August 23 at 7 p.m.

A potential new service project was discussed. More information will be gathered for discussion next week.

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

## DCCF now accepting applications for grant

The Donley County Community Fund is now accepting applications from qualified non-profit organizations for up to \$1,500 grant to be awarded this fall.

Those eligible to apply for the grants include local governments, schools, and non-profit organizations holding a 501(c)(3) status with the Internal Revenue Service. All grant applicants must be from Donley County.

Grant applications for any amount up to \$1,500 must be received by Friday, September 30, at 5 p.m., and the grant recipient will be selected in October.

To receive a grant application and determine your organization's eligibility to apply, contact Jacob Fangman 806-206-5737 or [jacobfangman@yahoo.com](mailto:jacobfangman@yahoo.com). Applications are available from Fangman at Herring Bank or at the Clarendon Visitor Center.

The Donley County Community Fund is an affiliate fund of the Amarillo Area Foundation (AAF) with the focus of building an Endowed Legacy for the entire county for the benefit of future generations.



**Best in Texas** The Clarendon Enterprise crew - Tara Allred, Ben Estlack, Ella Estlack, Roger Estlack, and (behind the camera) Ashlee Estlack, display the awards presented to the paper by the Texas Press Association last month. The Enterprise won the Sweepstakes Award for small weeklies.

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