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

Santa Letters due to paper Dec. 9

The Clarendon Enterprise is preparing to run its express edition to the North Pole very soon, and children need to get their Letters to Santa turned in by Friday, December 9.

Letters can be emailed to ads@clarendonlive.com, mailed to PO Box 1110, Clarendon, TX 79226, or dropped by the office at 105 S. Kearney.

Angel Tree gifts are due back Dec. 14

Angel gifts are due back at the Burton Memorial Library by December 14, and gifts will be distributed on December 20 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Christ's Kids Building.

Angel Tree organizers appreciate the Donley County community for generously supporting the Angel Tree for more than 15 years.

Second craft fair scheduled Dec. 17

A second Donley County Craft Fair has been scheduled for December 17 in the CEDC Building at US 287 and Kearney Street.

Organizer Tessie Robinson many booths are already rented and are going fast. Those interested in the a booth should contact Robinson by text 806-220-6222 or email tessiehr22@gmail.com.

DCCF exceeds goal for annual donations

The Donley County Community Fund reported last week that it received donations totaling \$9,100 during the PanhandleGives promotion over Thanksgiving.

The total raised exceeded the fund's goal of \$5,000 by 182 percent. The final money added to the community fund will grow once the match set by the Amarillo Area Foundation is set, but it will be several weeks before that final figure is known.

The fund advisors appreciate everyone who donated to this year's fundraiser.

Lions to distribute toys at HISD Monday

The Clarendon Lions Club will distribute toys to Hedley elementary students next Monday.

The new "Toys for Joy" drive will give one toy to every elementary school aged student in Clarendon and Hedley elementary schools.

The response from the public has been amazing, and the Lions are looking forward to distributing the toys. The project has seen great support also from local businesses, which set up toy tables at their stores.

Last Friday, the Lions distributed toys to all 219 students at Clarendon Elementary.

Franks riding high at NFR competition in Vegas

By Ted Harbin, TwisTed Rodeo

LAS VEGAS—Here's the thing about working with animals, even some of the best ever: Sometimes they don't have their day.

That was the case with Frontier Rodeo's Gun Fire, the 2022 PRCA Bareback Horse of the Year, during Monday's fifth go-round at the National Finals Rodeo. Cole Franks, who set an arena-record, 93-point ride on the big buckskin at Dodge City, Kansas, in 2021, made the most of his shot with an 86.5-point ride to finish in a tie for sixth on Night 5.

"For what she did, it felt good," said Franks of Clarendon. "I hold two records on her now: The arena record at Dodge City and now the lowest score on her."

He laughed, but it's proof of just how good the mare has been over the last few years.

"I've never seen her not be good," Franks said. "She was dif-

ferent today. She's never gone left; she kind of angled left with Jess (Pope) at Guymon (Oklahoma) this year, but she's never circled around the left and just got caught up in the fence."

For his part, Franks added \$6,063 to his bank account. Through five nights in Las Vegas, he has earned \$43,733 while pushing his season earnings to \$160,159. He has five nights remaining on the 2022 campaign, and he could add a little bonus by having one of the top eight cumulative scores through 10 go-rounds.

He is sixth in the average at the halfway point of this rodeo. If he hangs on to that, it would be worth an additional \$18,188. He's just a half point from fifth place in the aggregate, and that would pay \$7,000 more.

Bareback riding is the most physically demanding event in Pro-

rodeo. Cowboys wear a specially made glove that are outfitted with bind, then they wedge that glove into a rigging that is strapped tightly to the animal. They are basically locked onto the bucking horse, so they feel each move and each kick the animal makes.

"I was pretty sore after the third round and a little in the fourth," Franks said. "(Sunday) night when I got the draw and saw I had Gun Fire, I was suddenly a lot less sore. Right now, I feel good. I'm ready for Round 10 to get on these horses again."

The bareback riders at the National Finals Rodeo went from one extreme to another in 24 hours this past weekend.

It's just part of the Las Vegas experience, for most visitors, but these men are in town on a business venture. They tried their hands at the hardest-to-ride broncs in the sport



Cole Franks riding Gun Fire Monday at the NFR in Vegas.

PRCA PRORODEO PHOTO / CLICK THOMPSON

Saturday night, then turned around and had the easiest buckers Sunday. That makes everything even and allows the winners to be the cowboys that show off their spur rides

the best. "You've really got to try to flash everything up and expose yourself in this pen," said Franks, who **See 'Franks' on page 8.**

Blazing a New Trail

Mills, Eugea area's first female Eagle Scouts

By Roger Estlack, Clarendon Enterprise

Two members of Clarendon's Scouts BSA Troop 4433 were recognized for making history last Saturday by becoming the first local girls to become Eagle Scouts.

Evelyn Mills and Kacie Eugea formally received the BSA's highest award during a Court of Honor Saturday, December 3, at the Bairfield Activity Center.

Mills was the first girl in the Eastern Panhandle to receive the honor after standing her board of review at Camp MK Brown near Wheeler this summer.

Girls have been active in the Boy Scouts of America since 1969 when they were first allowed to join special-interest Explorer posts. In 1971, BSA girls could become full members of Explorers (now called Venture Scouts), but those organizations do not have a path to the revered Eagle rank.

Following the desires of scouting families, BSA opened Cub Scouting to girls in 2018 followed by the renamed Scouts BSA in 2019 with the nation's first female earning her Eagle in 2020.

During his welcoming remarks Saturday, Assistant Scoutmaster Jason Eugea said BSA finally figured out what parents and scout leaders had known all along.

"Parents always knew that girls have been there," Eugea said. "They've been camping and done the other things but never received the awards. I hope you all see that what the girls are doing is worthwhile. They build the same trestles, and they learn the same knots. Now, I get to give my daughter the same award I gave my son."

For Evelyn and Kacie, they grew up in scouting with their older brothers. They were present and sometimes participating, but they could not join the organization. Instead, they were both in Girl Scouts, starting as Daisies.



Evelyn Mills and Kacie Eugea were formally recognized as the first female Eagle Scouts of Clarendon Scouts BSA Troop 4433 during a Court of Honor last Saturday.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

But when the BSA opened up the option for them, they quickly moved their memberships.

"Count me in!" was Kacie's reaction, she recalls.

"Boy Scouts are just more active and do more things," she said. "They camp more, and they slept outside in tents where we were sleeping in cabins [in Girl Scouts]."

Evelyn also jumped at the chance to join Scouts BSA and go for the Eagle.

"Now I could actually earn the awards that we had been doing with the boys," she said.

The girls said they think they did Fingerprinting at least five times before they were able to join and earn the merit badge for themselves.

Assistant Scoutmaster Linda Rowland praised how well the members of the girls

Troop 4433 work together with boys Troop 433, both of which are chartered by Clarendon's First Christian Church.

"In our troops, the boys and girls work together and can be completely trusted," Rowland said.

New Eagle Scouts often present a mentor pin to someone who has been influential to them in scouting. Usually that is presented to an adult, but Mills also presented a mentor pin to fellow Eagle Scout Jacob Murillo — an example of how the boys and girls have gotten along together.

"For me, it wasn't difficult joining Boy Scouts," she said. "I had been coming to meetings since my brother was in Cub Scouts, so they were used to me being there."

For their projects, Mills repaired and refurbished a baptistry and installed an ADA

ramp at Primitive Baptist Church in Canyon, and Eugea built and installed a "take some, leave some" box outside the Helping Hands Food Pantry in Groom.

"It was good to get to help my church community," Mills said.

For Eugea, it makes her happy to be helping people.

"The food pantry serves about 100 people, but it's only open twice a month," she said. "Now they can get food when they need it."

Mills and Eugea have some simple advice for other girls coming up behind them or who may be thinking about pursuing the goal of Eagle Scout.

"Just do it and don't give up," Mills said, and Eugea added, "You can overcome any obstacle."

Chamber names first winner, second drawing Friday

The first drawing is in the books, but there are still three drawings totaling \$450 in Christmas Cash available for holiday shoppers to win in Clarendon.

Michelle Dupuy was the first \$100 winner drawn by the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce last Friday during its "Shop Small Big Christmas" promotion.

Sign-ups continue for drawings that will be held for \$100 on December 9 and 16; and the big \$250 giveaway will be held December 23. Participating merchants include Amanda's Country Soaps, Country Bloomer's Flowers & Gifts, Every

Nook & Cranny, Henson's, J&W Lumber, Mike's Pharmacy, Rambling Ranch Boutique, Saye's Flying A Tack, Whistle-Stop, and Wicked Fast Attire.

To enter, shoppers will fill out an entry at local participating merchants. The Chamber will gather them up each Friday morning, and hold the drawings live on the Chamber's Facebook. Enter as many times as you shop locally, so shop often. Entries stay in the hopper each week, so those who enter will have multiple chances to win.

In addition, three downtown merchants are staying open late

this Thursday night, December 8, for shoppers' convenience. Those stores staying open until 7:30 p.m. are Henson's, Ramblin' Ranch, and Saye's Flying A Tack.

According to small business advocates, every \$100 spent in locally owned stores returns \$68 to the local community through taxes, payrolls, and other expenditures. That same money spent in another town or online returns nothing to your local community.

Shop at home this holiday season and remember the important role your local merchants play in keeping your community strong.



Clarendon Chamber President Ashlee Estlack presents Michelle Dupuy with Chamber Christmas Cash certificates worth \$100.



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Out here rugged individualism is not a bad thing

By Walter Wendler

Palo Duro Canyon and the challenging, unforgivingly stingy, unceasingly crusty regional geography drive people to band together into groups. It's the Panhandle's nature. In contrast to the notion of supportive communities for survival and progress is the seemingly competing idea of rugged individualism.

It is easy, even seductive, to pan the concept of rugged individualism. Martin Luther King Jr. noted in a speech, "The Other America," on March 10, 1968: "This country has socialism for the rich, rugged individualism for the poor." That is indeed how it seems.

Noam Chomsky, Mark Rank and others in "Rugged Individualism and the Misunderstanding Of American Inequality" blame "rugged individualism" for creating income inequality. Rugged individualism is perceived by many as a mortal sin in a free society.

As Rank and Chomsky claim, it is true that "Many other factors beyond an individual's control come into play in affecting how well one does in life." But they miss the real point. The single measure of success in life is not the accumulation of wealth.

Robin G. Nelson, in Scientific American, said the coronavirus "exposed the myth of rugged individualism." Continuing, "Humans evolved to be interdependent, not self-sufficient." In contrast, Holy Writ, in Genesis 2:18, says just the opposite—human beings were created to be interdependent.

The power of individual rights and responsibilities is woven into our national DNA through the founder's perspectives on the importance of liberty for individuals in seeking personal satisfaction. Happiness cannot be sacrificed on any altar that compromises its import.

There is a misperceived sense that those self-reliant cannot work cooperatively in teams. In team sports, it is common for strong individuals to be equated with a strong team.

Whatever the downside of rugged individualism and self-reliance—in a word, grit—the upside is this: if a group of strong individuals with solid talents and abilities and a purposeful sense of self band together to do something, the likelihood of it happening increases when a shared purpose is present among rugged individuals.

Welcome to WT.

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

Texans don't always win every game

In the late 1800s, George H. Devol was known as the slickest rascal on the Mississippi River. A professional gambler, Devol rode the river boats and became wealthy by beating everyone at poker, faro, monte, or any other card game.

One night when Devol was hosting games of three-card monte on the Robert E. Lee, a man from Texas watched the games long enough to feel confident he could win. This was Devol's modus operandi – lose a few games to his accomplices, and then when a prospective sucker was drawn in, Devol would do the winning.

With confidence, the man from Texas bet \$800 that he could identify the winning card. Devol applied his sleight of hand maneuvers and of course, the

Texan lost his money. But he did not take his loss graciously.

Pulling out a Colt navy pistol, the Texan demanded his money back. "See here, my friend, that is all the money I have got, and I am going to have it back."

With perfect coolness, Devol responded, "Did you think I was going to keep the money?"

"I am from Texas, sir, and I would have filled you with lead if you had intended to keep the money."

Extracting a roll of money from his pocket, Devol whispered into the Texan's ear, "I cannot give the money back to you publicly, for then everyone else will want his money back. But if you



vignettes tales of the old west by george u. hubbard

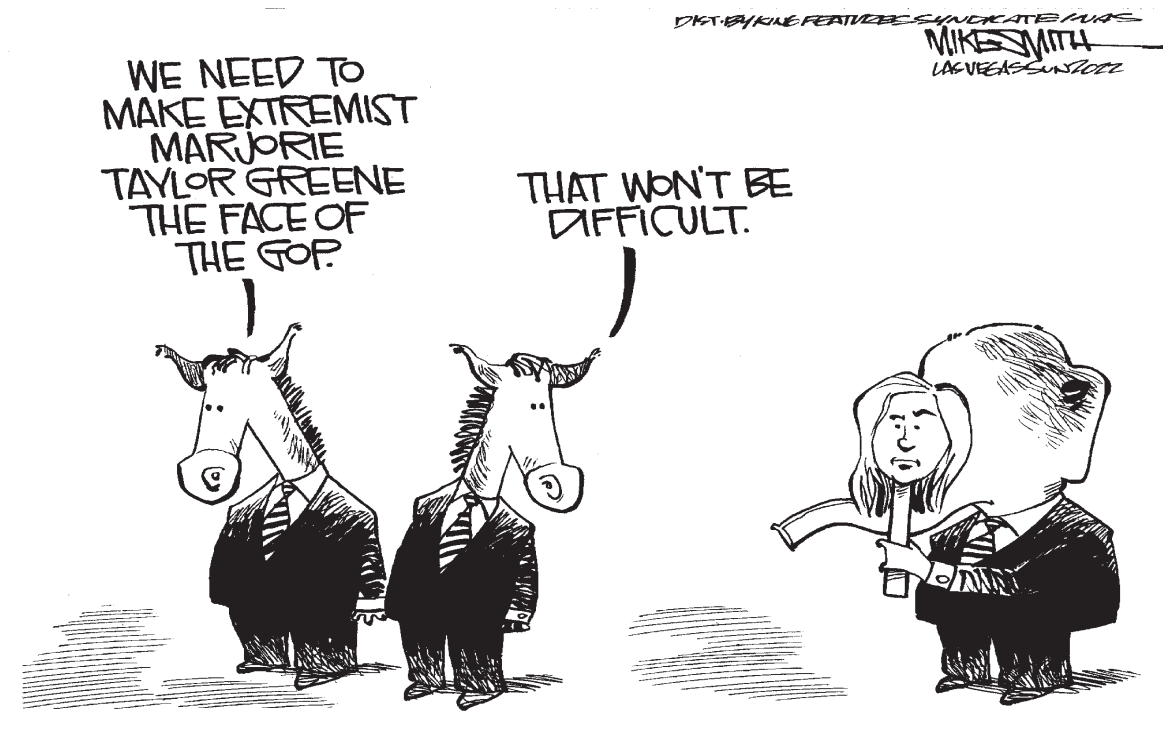
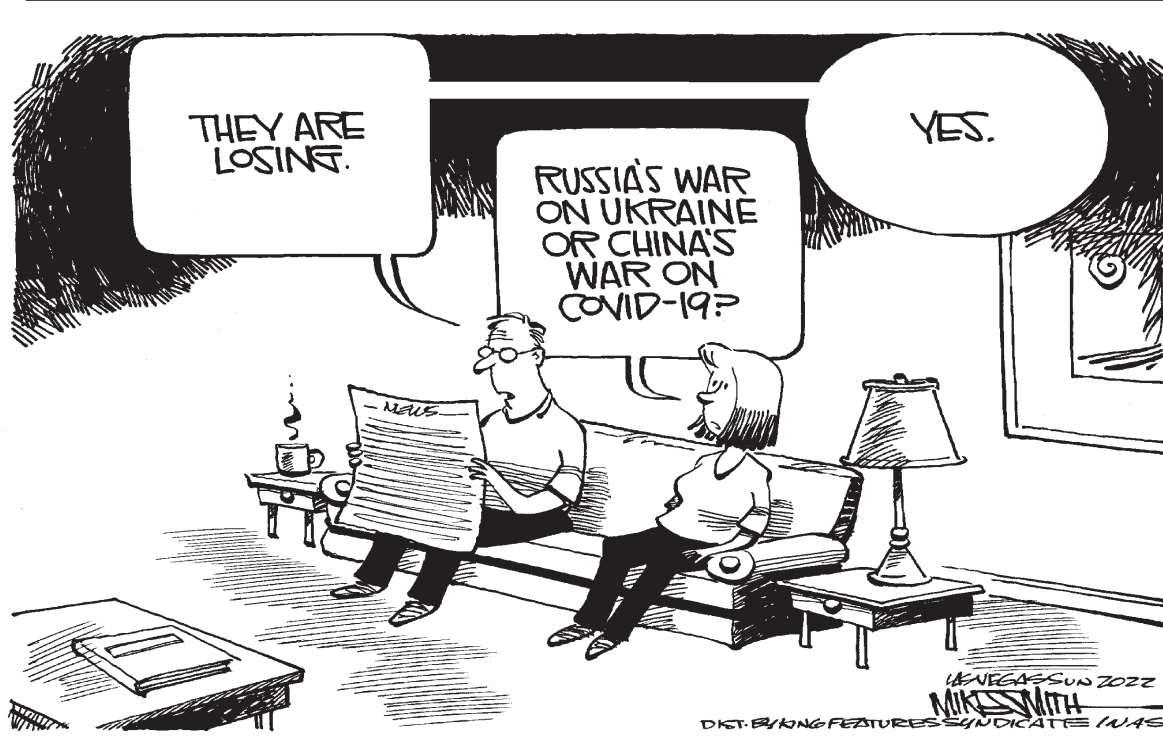
will play one more game, I will bet you \$800 against your pistol." The Texan readily agreed.

With a third party (actually one of Devol's accomplices) holding the pistol and the money, Devol tossed the three cards onto the table and shuffled them around rapidly with his usual undetected sleight of hand. The Texan made his choice, and he was wrong again.

Quickly grabbing the pistol, Devol said, "Now you've acted the wet dog about this and I will not give you a cent of your money, and if you cut any more capers, I will break your nose."

It is not known what happened to the Texan after that, but we can't feel too sorry for him because there is no such thing as a Texan on a Mississippi River boat with only \$800 in his pocket.

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



Re-telling one more six-up story

My ancient Uncle Mort - with razor-sharp memory of the long ago but dullard-like on yesterday - has a mind recently clouded with "what if's" concerning the World Cup.

This is surprising, since he doesn't know a soccer ball from Cinderella's ball. He barely knows that World Cup has "kicked off" in Qatar. He's apologetic for "punning along" with a reference to "kick-off," not knowing if they even have kick-offs in soccer.

"If they do, they may call it something else," he admits....

A newspaper headline caught his eye days before the first matches. It mentioned that World Cup gurus had decided not to allow beer sales at World Cup matches.

One would guess that this would thoroughly tick off the Budweiser beer folks, major sponsor of the event.

"This decision is bound to seriously bloat the king of beer's inventory and suggests that biggest 'Cup decisions aren't made in a democratic manner. Also, all bets may be off if Budweiser was trying to grease the skids toward a name change," Mort figures....

His last statement piqued my interest. I mean, what's the deal on changing names? Mort had set me up, fully expecting my interrupting question.

"I've an idea Budweiser may have been working toward proposal of a name change from 'World Cup,'" he admitted.

He figures the beer giant would gain considerable ground if the world's most popular sporting event - often called "the Super Bowl on steroids" - would like to leave the word "World" in place, but substitute "Keg" for "Cup."....

I managed a gratuitous chuckle while he laughed until he snorted. Yes, I had been "set up" again.

Then, Mort switched gears about name changes.

"I heard tell that they once bottled a soft drink called 'Six-Up,' but the product missed mass acceptance by a single number," Mort said. He rambled on about a later drink with the same ingredients and identical processing with a "Seven-Up" label that has done right well....

While on a side trail about Seven Up, a Google search of the drink's name origin is a back-up for readers growing weary of board games and tiring TV commercials we've seen for umpteenth times.

It seems likely that no one really knows why the Seven-Up name was chosen, but dozens of theories warrant smiles, and some of them may be right. One theorist points out that the drink was introduced in the 1920s as "Bib-Label Lithiated Lemon-Lime Soda."

Can you imagine a befuddled pizza shop guy taking a call for a take-out order of pizza and a pair of Bib-Label Lithiated Lemon-Lime Sodas? I didn't think so. It is noted that the drink has seven ingredients and is "uplifting" to many, so it makes total sense that the current name is 7Up....



the idle american by don newbury

Speaking of names: A decade ago, I tired of radio and television sports reporters' early references to Baylor phenom Robert Griffin III. Trouble was, they always added "the Third," which, of course, was technically correct.

Soon, though, his exploits were such that "RG-Three" provided identification enough. I'm not sure if G-I and/or G-II had sports pedigrees, but even if they did, they likely fell far short of Baylor quarterback/Heisman trophy winner RG-III's collegiate football exploits.

(One could wish that Dallas Mavericks' TV guys would get this memo. Surely their many references to "Tim Hardaway Jr." could be shortened merely to "Hardaway," at least after first reference. I'll not mention another Maverick, McKinley Wright the Fourth, who sees limited action.)...

Griffin was paired with another African American sports analyst, Mike Jones, on TV coverage of the University of Texas-Baylor University football game.

He struck the right chord for racial harmony when he opened the telecast with these words: "Happy Thanksgiving, and Happy Black Friday." Smiling broadly, he pointed to Mike, then himself, when he said, "Black Friday."

His smile disarms, this class act on the field who is attaining the same status in the TV booth....

Dr. Newbury, a longtime university president, continues to write weekly and speak regularly throughout Texas. Phone: 817-447-3872. Email: newbury@speakerdoc.com. Facebook: Don Newbury.



Toys for Joy

Members of the Clarendon Lions Club distributed toys to all 219 students in Clarendon Elementary last Friday. The club will take toys to Hedley next Monday.

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Obituaries

Riddle

Lillian Ruth Riddle, 97, of the McLean Care Center in McLean, died Thursday, December 1, 2022 in Pampa, Texas.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon, Texas.

Lillian was born September 5, 1925, in Brownwood, Texas to Thomas Harry Broad, Sr. and Lola Ruth Oden Broad. She had lived in Spokane, Washington in 1948, Olean, New York in 1949, and moved to Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1950 where she met and married Bruce E. Riddle. She had lived in Tulsa until 2017 when she moved to Howardwick to be closer to her son. She had worked as a school teacher in Tulsa from 1952-1991 when she retired. Lillian's hobby included painting, which she did for many years.

She was preceded in death by her mother in 1963; her father in 1969; a son, Garth Peter Kent Riddle in 2001; and her brother, Thomas Harry Broad, Jr. in 1977.

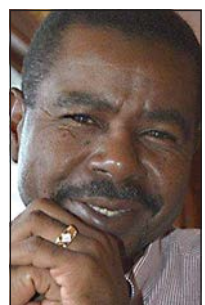
She is survived by her son, Eric Riddle and wife D. Ann of Howardwick; her grandchildren, Erika Thomas and husband Jarod of Muskogee, Oklahoma and Kevin Sean Riddle of El Paso; and her great grandchildren, Madison Thomas of Weatherford, Oklahoma, Brinley Thomas and Weston Thomas both of Muskogee, Oklahoma.

In lieu of flowers, the family request memorials be sent to the Donley County Sr. Citizens in Clarendon, Texas.

Sign the online guestbook at www.robertsonfuneral.com

Bryley

Kenneth Ray Bryley, 63, of San Jose, California, formerly of Clarendon, died Thursday, November 17, 2022, in San Jose, California.



Bryley

Services

will be 1:00 p.m. Saturday, December 10, 2022, in the First Baptist Church in Memphis with Elder Roy Williams, Pastor Jeff Riles, and Pastor Harry Williams, officiating. His final resting place will be in Fairview Cemetery in Memphis.

Local Arrangements are under the direction of Robertson Funeral Directors of Memphis, Texas.

Kenneth was born in Dequeen, Arkansas to Ray and Pearlean (Deary) Bryley. From Arkansas, they moved to Memphis where he would later graduate High School. He later met and married Faye Bryley and they had seven kids. Kathy (Missouri) - San Antonio, Texas, April (Raymond) - Franklin, Texas, Rich (Tiffany) - Lufkin, Texas, Shequita, Shekia, Glory, Lynzee (Will) - all of Clarendon. He eventually became Deacon Bryley under Rev. Roy Williams and would later work for the city of Clarendon before moving to his final home in San Jose. He took work with Tesla, where he was still employed at the time of his death. He was a die-hard Memphis Cyclones and Dallas Cowboys fan. He enjoyed fishing (so much so that he bought a boat so that he could finally get a catfish), spending time with his family, and barbecuing (he swore he made the best ribs anyone ever had), watching sports, and working and enjoying the results of his garden. Kenneth had such an infectious smile and the most beautiful handwriting one ever seen. He leaves a hole in our hearts and will forever be missed.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ray and Pearlene; and a brother Bill.

He leaves behind his beloved cat, Max, seven kids, sixteen grandkids, four great grandkids, sisters Ann and Gloria; brothers, Bob and Charles; Aunt Mary; and a host of nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, in-laws, and friends.

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Pierce

Clarence Elmer Pierce, Jr., 65, of Clarendon died Friday, December 2, 2022, in Clarendon.

Memorial services with inurnment at Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon will be held at a later date.

Cremation and arrangements are under the direction of Robert-

son Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Junior was born January 7, 1957, in Clarendon to Clarence Elmer "C.E." Pierce, Sr. and Mary Holman Pierce. He went to school at David G. Burnett Elementary in Houston, Humphrey's Highland Elementary in Amarillo, Woodland Acres Elementary in Houston, Travis Jr. High in Quanah, and Clarendon Jr. High.

Junior worked for Wandell and Mark Luttrell for years at the welding shop. Cutting, welding, and fabricating on all sorts of equipment for the locals, farmers, and ranchers. Before that, he also worked for Wandell Luttrell at the cotton gin. He put in many years at both places and enjoyed his work. Jr. also worked at the tire shop for Henson's. While working there, he also took care of setting up for the turtle races around the 4th of July and always had a hand in putting up the decorations for the store. He also worked for Gary Barnhill at the Sandell Drive In and worked for D. Grant who ran a water well service. There are other jobs Jr. had, too numerous to count. He was multi-talented and truly a jack of all trades.

Junior's hobbies were actually more of a lifestyle. What he really enjoyed was fishing. His favorite places were the dike at Texas City, Texas and, San Luis Pass on Galveston Island surf fishing for shark.

His favorite place of all was fishing off the rocks at Lake Kickapoo near Wichita Falls for crappie with Dad. He always enjoyed his fishing trips and never came home empty handed.

Jr. was married twice in his life, first to Bobbi Jo Carmichael in August 1977, they had a son, Michael Shane. Later on he married Faye Vargas. Jr. was truly blessed with grandchildren. Kortny Marie and Chance Michael Blackwell, Austin Pierce, Dylan Costner, Lathan and Jaydon Pierce all of which reside in North Dakota and Idaho. He is also survived by his sister, Linda Lincoln and his brother, Rick Pierce.

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Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO or the Company) publishes this notice that on September 30, 2022, it filed its Statement of Intent and Application for Authority to Amend Transmission Cost Recovery Factor (TCRF) with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) in Docket No. 54040. The filing was made in accordance with the Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) § 36.209 and 16 Tex. Admin. Code (TAC) § 25.239. The TCRF will recover SWEPCO's reasonable and necessary costs for transmission infrastructure improvements as well as changes in wholesale transmission charges under a tariff approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to the extent that the costs or charges have not otherwise been recovered. In this application, SWEPCO seeks to recover its transmission capital investments from April 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022. SWEPCO also seeks to recover through the TCRF approved transmission charges that are not otherwise being recovered through current rates. This notice is being published in accordance with PURA § 36.103 and 16 TAC § 22.51(a)(1).

STATEMENT OF INTENT TO CHANGE RATES

SWEPCO requests that the Commission approve an increase of \$8,441,187 above the revenue requirement approved by the Commission in SWEPCO's last base rate case, Docket No. 51415 for its Texas retail customers. This amounts to a 2.1% percent increase in SWEPCO's overall annualized Texas retail revenue requirement. SWEPCO proposes that its requested rate change become effective 35 days after the filing of the Statement of Intent and Application. The proposed effective date is subject to suspension and extension by actions that may be taken by the Commission.

All customers in SWEPCO's Texas retail rate classes will be affected by this change. The impact of the rate change on various customer classes will vary from the overall impact described in this notice.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Persons with questions or who want more information on SWEPCO's Statement of Intent and Application may contact SWEPCO at 428 Travis Street, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101, or call toll-free at (888) 216-3523 during normal business hours. A complete copy of the Statement of Intent and Application and related filings is available for inspection at the address listed in the previous sentence.

Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon these proceedings should notify the Commission as soon as possible, as an intervention deadline will be imposed. 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 Public Utility Commission at (512) 936-7120 or (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136. A request for intervention or for further information should refer to Docket No. 54040. Unless otherwise ordered by the presiding officer, motions to intervene will be due 45 days from the date SWEPCO filed its Statement of Intent and Application with the Commission.



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Broncos & Lady Broncos v Childress Tournament
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December 13
Lady Broncos v Nazareth • 6:30 p.m. • Home

December 13
Broncos v Panhandle • 8:00 p.m. • Home

December 13
Owls & Lady Owls v McLaren • 6:00 p.m. • Away

Menus

Dec. 12 - 16

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Potato soup, tuna salad sandwich, field greens/dressing, mixed fruit, iced tea/2% milk.
Tues: BBQ chicken, baked beans, mixed veggies, diced peaches, wheat bread, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Roast beef /gravy, potatoes and carrots, spinach souffle, roll, banana, iced tea/2% milk.
Thurs: Turkey tetrazzini, green beans, steamed carrots, wheat bread, chocolate cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Meatloaf, mac and cheese, carrots, roll, tropical fruit, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Baked beef stew with biscuit topping, Carolina caviar, Amish sugar cookie, iced tea/2% milk.
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Wed: Ham & pinto beans, chuck-wagon corn, brown rice, banana, cornbread, iced tea/2% milk.
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Fri: Sloppy Joes, seasoned tater tots, tossed salad w/dressing, no baked cookies, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD

Breakfast
Mon: Pancakes, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Tues: Breakfast sandwich, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Wed: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Thu: Breakfast cookie, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Fri: Cereal, toast, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
Mon: Cheeseburger, fries, lettuce & tomatoes, fruit, milk.
Tues: Tex-mex stack, beans, salsa, carrots, fruit, milk.
Wed: Pizza, salad, corn, fruit, milk.
Thu: Sandwich, chips, snack, fruit, milk.
Fri: Sandwich, ships, snack, 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, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
Mon: Hamburger, fries, tomato cup, fruit cup, milk.
Tues: Nacho Grande, salsa, beans, cucumbers, apricots, ice cream cup, milk.
Wed: Crispy chicken sandwich, veggie cup, garden salad, fruity gelatin, milk.
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Tragedy struck brothers in 1901

Across from Charles and Mary Ann Goodnight's graves at Goodnight Cemetery are two graves with a shared tombstone, those of Jay Dec and Guy Raymond Vaughan. Jay was 17 years old, and Guy was 14 years old at the time of their deaths.

On July 20, 1901, the two boys were bathing and swimming with other boys their age in Barnard Tank near Claude. Guy, the youngest, had never learned how to swim. When he went into the deeper part of the tank, he went under, and never came back up. Jay was partially clothed when he noticed Guy was missing, so he jumped in to find and save his

brother.

After a time, Jay didn't come up either. The two brothers had tragically drowned.

A peculiar thing happened to my grandmother, Lila Hoobler, when she visited the cemetery on one occasion. She saw the gravestone and noticed the dates.

Totally unaware beforehand, she actually visited the grave on



The Buffalo's Beard
by caylor monroe

the 100th anniversary of the boys' drowning. That would have been July 20, 2001. She was just there to visit the Goodnights' graves and didn't intend on being a part of an awe-inspiring, yet sad coincidence.

She has told me she was humbled by the occasion. I found out later that the boys were the grandsons of Col. Goodnight's sister, Elizabeth Ann Goodnight Lane McLaren. This would mean that the Vaughan Brothers were Charles Goodnight's great nephews. The boys' death must have been an earth-shattering loss for the Goodnights and their other related families.

Owls, Lady Owls beat Chillicothe

The Hedley Owls and Lady Owls defeated Chillicothe at home last week.

The boys opened a 20-3 lead in the first quarter of their game and never looked back. The Owls were up 31-11 at the half, and a strong third quarter sealed the deal.

Chillicothe did manage to out-score the owls by three points in the final quarter, but it wasn't enough to overcome Hedley's lead. The Owls won, 55-24.

Iziak Weatherread led Hedley with 16 points. Other Owls scoring were Braden Bond 11, Josh Booth 10, Nick Clark 8, Javier Valles and Dakota Bond with three each, and Isaiah Torres and Kyler Booth with two each.

The Lady Owls secured a 33-25 victory over the Chillicothe girls after a hard-fought game.

Chillicothe led Hedley, 16-21, at the half, but the Lady Owls came back with eight unanswered points in the third quarter and had a good fourth quarter to win the game.

Madison Moore led the Hedley ladies with 11 points. Also scoring were Ashlee Holmes 9, Megan Weatherread 5, and Madison Torres and Taylee Ehlert with 4 each.

Six Hedley Owls named first team All-District

Six Hedley Owls have been named to the first team District I-A All-District for football.

Senior Cody Bond made the offensive and defensive teams at tight end and cornerback, and junior Saul Carreon also made both teams at spread center and nose guard. Senior Iziak Weatherread was also on both teams at running back and defensive lineman.

Also on the offensive team were junior Braden Bond at wide receiver, junior full back Nick Clark, and senior Kyler Booth at kicker.



Savannah Trent goes up for two against the Eagles at home.

HHS YEARBOOK



Isaiah Torres tries to dribble past an Eagle defender at home last week.

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Casper snags small NFR check

By Ted Harbin, TwisTed Rodeo

LAS VEGAS – Saddle bronc rider Wyatt Casper is riding well, but his pocketbook isn't showing it just yet. In four nights at the National Finals Rodeo, he has placed twice and collected just \$3,886.

That's less than stellar at ProRodeo's grand finale, which pays go-round winners nearly \$29,000 per night. In both instances, he finished in a tie for sixth place – it was a three-way tie during Round 2 and a two-way tie in Sunday's fourth go-round.

The latter came after an 82-point ride on Frontier Rodeo's Miss Ellie, and Sunday's round featured the eliminator pen of saddle broncs. Miss Ellie was the perfect fit in that category as one of the hardest-to-ride horses in ProRodeo.

"It seemed like the ride was pretty decent," said Casper of Miami, Texas. "It seemed like maybe I was a little behind, and she was kind of beating me up. The hardest thing about her is keeping your shoulders square. She really wants to work you into your right stirrup. It's a little tougher on a right-handed guy than it is a left-handed guy, but it worked out and we're happy."

In comparing his earnings, the money he's made in Las Vegas doesn't quite add up. If he were to finish sixth by himself, it's worth \$4,664, but every dollar counts, especially at the NFR.

"It's nice to sneak out of that round with a qualified score," he said about getting on the rank bucking horses, which tossed four cowboys to the ground; those that did ride weren't posting high-marked rides. "It keeps you in the average for that big bonus check in the end, and it's nice to get a little round money out of it, too."

Out of the 15 bronc riders in the mix, Casper is one of just 10

that have ridden all four broncs so far. He sits eighth in the average, with a four-ride aggregate score of 326.5 points. If he were to hold that position through Saturday night's final round, he would earn a \$7,000 bonus.

The objective, though, is to win a world championship, if possible, but he'd need some big things to happen.

He trails the world standings leader, Montanan Sage Newman, by more than \$170,000. That's where the bonus comes in handy. The average champion will pocket more than \$74,000. With high-paying go-rounds, Casper still has a big chance in the final six nights of the 2022 season.

"The goal when you come here is to ride 10 horses the best you can," Casper said. "I feel like I've done that. Hopefully I'll start drawing the top of the pen and we'll start winning some go-round checks."

The random draw that matches a cowboy with his animal is an important factor. Half the score on a 100-point scale is on how well the contestant.

"At the end of the day, horses are horses," he said. "To every pen, it is the National Finals, but you still are going to have a top end of that pen, which is a horse that is really going to show and you can really show out. It all has to come together and work for you."

Earlier in the weekend, Casper's first saddle bronc ride of the 2022 National Finals Rodeo wasn't significant to most.

He scored 83.5 points on Rosser Rodeo's California Dreamin and finished 10th in the opening round of this year's championship. There was no money, and his place in the world standings didn't really change.

Still, it was an ignition switch

for Casper, now competing at the NFR for the third straight season.

"After being off for three months and not being able to rodeo, to be able to come out here and stick my first one was a lot of weight lifted off my shoulders," said Casper, 26, of Miami, Texas. "I was pretty confident after (Thursday's) ride."

It showed on a rank horse during Friday's second round. He posted an 82-point ride on Beutler & Son Rodeo's Foul Motion to finish in a three-way tie for sixth place, worth \$1,555. It's not the biggest payday, but it offered a boost of confidence for him to carry through the final eight nights of the ProRodeo season.

Casper suffered a pulled hamstring in July and tried to battle through it. The muscle finally gave way the first of August, and he spent the final two months of the regular season on injured reserve. He went more than 60 days without getting on any bucking horses, but in the weeks leading up to the NFR, he got on some broncs to dust the rust off and test out his leg.

"I got on nine horses, but I knew after the first two that it was good and we're ready to roll," said Casper, who won the intercollegiate national title in 2016 while competing for Clarendon College. "I wish I'd have been able to come back a little sooner and maybe went to some rodeos and got on some more horses. It is what it is, and those are the cards we were dealt."

While his financial return wasn't what he had hoped for on night two, the dollars are vital. Most importantly, he has something on which to build through ProRodeo's grand finale.

"Money's money, and that's a good thing," Casper said. "Any time you can get another one down, get a little money and stay in that average race, you're good."



Kacie Eugea pictured with her Eagle Scout Project at the Groom Food Pantry.



Evelyn Mills poses with her Eagle Scout Project at the Primitive Baptist Church in Canyon.



the lion's tale
by russell estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting December 6, 2022, with Boss Lion Landon Lambert in charge.

We had 14 members and Sweetheart Laney Gates present this week.

The Toys for Joy program was a great success last Friday with 219 students receiving toys at Clarendon Elementary. Lions will journey to Hedley Elementary next Monday morning to present toys to 58 kids there and wrap up the new project.

The Sweetheart reported on the high school basketball teams, and Lion Scarlet Estlack said finals are underway at the college.

Lion Jacob Fangman said the city council will meet Thursday night, and Lion John Howard reported on the county. A county-wide survey began in Hedley that is designed to help the county and local cities apply for more grants.

Lion Richard Green said the Howardwick City Hall will host its Christmas for Children on December 17. He also recognized Lion David Dockery for his work to replace the kitchen sink faucet.

Lion Bobbie Thornberry thanked the club for the donation to the Museum, and the Boss Lion reminded everyone about the Christmas Food Basket project coming up on December 20.

There being no further business, we were adjourned to sort Christmas toys and spread Lionism in our fair county.

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 - Ones who utilize
 - Sings with closed lips
 - South American hummingbird
 - Serves as a coxswain
 - Liquor distilled from coconut or rice
 - Spur
 - Senile
 - Tanzanian people
 - Cruel
 - Boxing's "GOAT"
 - Yokels
 - London soccer team
 - Chinese chess piece
 - Supervises flying
 - 007's creator
 - Shaft horsepower (abbr.)
 - A spider makes one
 - Liquefied natural gas
 - Opaque gem
 - Brazilian palm
 - Periodical (slang)
 - You might step on one
 - Marvin and Horsley are two
 - Partner to cheese
 - Unpleasant smell
 - Field force unit (abbr.)
 - Fashion accessory
 - Cool!
 - Time zone
 - Songs to one's lover
 - German river
 - Go bad
 - Sword
 - Very eager
 - Leaf bug
 - Italian seaport
 - Napoleon Dynamite's uncle
 - Member of Jamaican religion
 - Large wading bird
 - Carries out
 - Eternal rest
 - It holds up your headwords

- CLUES DOWN**
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 - Fiddler crabs
 - Popular Hyundai sedan
 - Deport
 - Making over
 - Midway between south and southeast
 - Arabic masculine name
 - Type of acid
 - Popular 1980s Cher film
 - Outdoor enthusiasts' tools
 - Chinese city
 - "Star Wars" character Solo
 - The bill in a restaurant
 - Old, ugly witch
 - Burn with a hot liquid
 - To claim or demand
 - "A Doll's House" playwright
 - Involuntary muscular contraction
 - Pea stems (British)
 - Double or multiple fold
 - No longer is
 - Lakers' crosstown rivals (abbr.)
 - American plant cultivated in Peru
 - Cloth or fabric
 - Flanks
 - Disfigure
 - Angry
 - Baltic coast peninsula
 - Large, flightless birds
 - Pants of the lily family
 - Medieval Norwegian language
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Lady Broncos are Miami Champions again

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos converted 21 three-point shots in four games to win the Miami Basketball Tournament for the fourth year in a row.

Senior outside player Finley Cunningham hit 13 of those 21 shots to lead the way to the win. The Lady Broncos defeated West Texas High by 40 points to bring home the trophy.

"We played excellent defense

and Fin (Cunningham) was on fire was on fire several games giving us an edge over all the competition," head coach Korey Conkin said.

The Sanford-Fritch and Wildorado games were lopsided in the Lady Broncos' favor as they won big at 50-22 and 60-19. Freshman Kenidee Hayes led the way with 10 and Courtlyn Conkin added nine in the SF game. They went only six of thirteen from the bonus line and was the only game that no three-pointers were posted. Cunningham was the lead scorer in the Wildorado game with five more three-pointers and 19 total points and Conkin added 11 to the point total.

The championship game with WT was just another day in the gym for the Lady Broncos as they earned the 53-15 win. The ladies were able to execute their offense while staying solid on defense to go up 23-2 at the half time break. WT could do little

to stop the Lady Broncos as they 10 different players put points on the board. Cunningham led the way with 11, Gracie Smith had nine, Hayes put in seven, and Berkley Moore had six. Conkin had five, Hayden Elam and Kennedie Cummins put in four each, Gabel finished with three, and Tandie Cummins and Madi Benson had two each.

Earlier in the week the ladies traveled to Groom and won 49-31. The Lady Broncos jumped out to the early advantage and was able to contain the Lady Tigers with solid defense.

Cunningham ended with 12 and Gabel had 10. Elam put in nine and Makenna Shadle had eight. Smith the game with six and Hayes had two.

The Lady Broncos will play in the Childress Tournament December 8-10 and play Nazareth at home on December 13.



Lady Broncos named Miami Tournament Champions last weekend.

COURTESY PHOTO /AL ELAM

Broncos compete in Nazareth Tournament

By Sandy Anderberg

Just out of the football season, the Broncos got busy in the gym to prepare for their first tournament of the year in Nazareth last weekend. The Broncos took on Roosevelt, Gordon, Shallowater, and Bushland.

No results were available for the Roosevelt game, but the Broncos earned the win. They went up against Gordon in the second round and won big at 52-37. Not only did the Broncos hit four three-pointers, they also shot 75 percent from the bonus line. After a one-point first quarter of play, the Broncos settled into their game plan and started putting points on the board. They were able to totally

dominate the last half of play and get the 15-point win. Jmaury Davis led the way with 18 and Lyric Smith added 13. Tyler Harper put in seven, Josiah Hearn and Anthony Cenicerros each had six, and Kaleb Bolin helped with two.

The Broncos matched up against Shallowater in the next round and fell short by two at 43-41. The Broncos started out just behind the Mustangs, but fought back to hold a two-point lead at the break and kept it until the end of the third. Shallowater was able to find a slight opening in the final quarter of play to get the win. Davis put in 16 and Smith and Harper had eight points each. The

Broncos were able to regroup after the loss in the final game of the tournament and defeat Bushland 50-38.

The Broncos were in control the entire game and were able to make great stops on defense.

Their solid defense allowed them to get in a rhythm and play the way they needed to. Davis finished with 19 and Smith had nine. Hearn put in six, Harper and Cenicerros each had five, Kaleb Bolin ended the game with four, and Mason Sims had two.

The Broncos will play in the Childress Tournament December 8-10 and play Panhandle at home on December 13.



Lady Colts win Claude Tournament last weekend.

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Lady Colts win Claude Tournament

The Lady Colts participated in the Claude Tournament over the weekend and came home as champions. The ladies played San Jacinto, Happy, and Panhandle.

After wins over San Jacinto and Happy, the Lady Colts went up against Panhandle in the championship game. It was a hard-fought game, but the Lady Colts stayed solid and won 21-19. Kinslee Hatley had 12 points, Jayla Woodard put in seven and Addy Havens finished with two. Every player did a great

job of containing Panhandle on the defensive side.

Earlier in the week, the Lady Colts traveled to Memphis and came home 29-19 win. Too many fouls in the second half plagued them, but they were still able to outscore the Lady Whirlwinds to get the win.

Woodard put in 12 and Eli Rodriguez had seven. Hatley added five, and Sequoia Weatheron and Makenna Williams finished with two. Addy Havens added one from the bonus line.

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Lady Bronco JV handles Groom

The Lady Bronco junior varsity made short work of Lefors last week defeating them 49-11.

The ladies were able to stay with their game plan to shut down anything Lefors tried. The Lady Broncos led by 10 at the break and were able to add to their lead in the final half of play.

"The girls did a great job of keeping Lefors contained and not letting them score," coach Kasey Bell said. "We are figuring things out and I am pleased with our progress."

Kimbrasia Ballard had 18 points and shot 75 percent from the free throw line. Gracie Ellis finished in double figures with 10 and Gracie Clark and Presley Smith had six points each. Madi Benson put in four, Kennedie Cummins had three, and Millie McAnear added two.

The Lady Broncos will play Nazareth at home on December 13 at 4 p.m. and host Canadian on December 16.

Colts slam Memphis at home last week

The Clarendon Colts made quick work of Memphis at home last week with a 32-9 win. A big second quarter gave the Colts the confidence they needed in the big win. They were able to hold the Whirlwinds to only four points in the first half of play with solid defense.

Parker Haynes and Hayden Moore had the floor covered inside and outside and led all scorers with 11 and 10 points respectively. Shawn Childers put in four from inside and Hudson Howard hit a three-pointer. Kreed Robinson and Dakotah Jameson put in two points each.

The Colts will travel to Wellington next Monday and play at 6 p.m.

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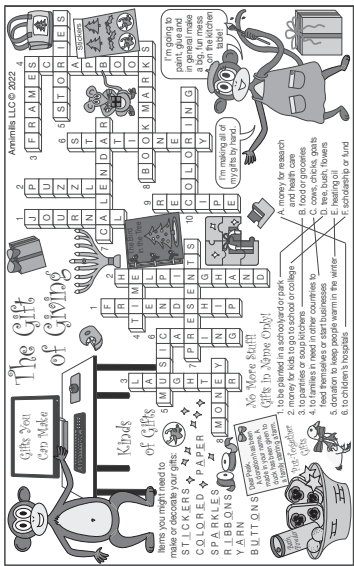
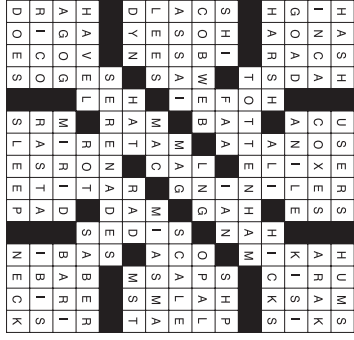
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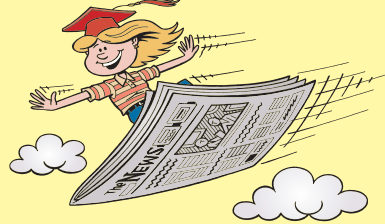
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Gifts You Can Make

Chatter and I are teaming up to make all of our holiday gifts this year. I'm using my computer to help. I will write stories and recipes, draw pictures and then print out my work. Next, Chatter will decorate the pages and bind them into books or make other fun items. We can't wait to start!

1. if you have photos or postcards from a trip, you can make a travel _____
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The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will host the AgriLife Extension Crop Production and Protection Seminar Dec. 20 at locations across the Panhandle and South Plains.

The speakers will be virtual, but AgriLife Extension county agents in almost every county of the agency's District 1, headquartered in Amarillo, and District 2, headquartered in Lubbock, will host an in-person event for producers to attend, said Danny Nusser, AgriLife Extension program leader for the North Region.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. at each location. The fees and lunch arrangements will vary from location to location. A complete list of the 38 in-person locations and contacts for more information is available at <https://tx.ag/NorthRegionDec20>.

He said they will utilize the Microsoft Teams platform to bring all the speakers together from across the state without making anyone travel any further than their home county. Participants will be able to ask questions of the speakers at each location.

Five Texas Department of Agriculture continuing education units – one general, two integrated pest management, one drift and one laws and regulations – at each location.

The program will begin at 9 a.m. The following topics and speakers are on the agenda:

Laws and regulations: TDA guidelines for licensing, Mark Matocha, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension agricultural and environmental unit

pesticide safety education specialist, Bryan-College Station.

What goes into selecting a variety? Ensuring seed quality and a good stand - Cotton, Craig Bednarz, Ph.D., crop physiologist with Texas A&M AgriLife Research and West Texas A&M University, Canyon. - Feed grains/silage/forage, Calvin Trostle, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension agronomist, Lubbock.

What protection can you count on with insect technologies? – Understanding Gene Transfer and Protection, David Kerns, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension state integrated pest management coordinator, Bryan-College Station. - Seed/in-furrow treatments for pests, Blayne Reed, AgriLife Extension integrated pest management agent in Hale County. - Efficacy of pesticides and economic thresholds, Pat Porter, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension entomologist, Lubbock.

Plant health and protection decisions related to disease, viruses and nematodes. - Cotton planting decisions, prevention measures, etc., Terry Wheeler, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension plant pathologist, Lubbock. - Corn/sorghum prevention, awareness, control, Thomas Isakeit, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension plant pathologist, Bryan-College Station. - Small grains identification, prevention, control, Ken Obasa, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension plant pathologist, Amarillo.

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Franks: Riding high in Vegas at National Finals

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 rode Outlawbuckers Rodeo's Free Shipping for 87 points to finish in a tie for second place in the fourth round. "You've got to let go and let it all hang out more than you would on (Saturday) night's pen or (Monday's) pen.

"I'd seen that horse maybe once or twice, but I went and watched videos on him last night and was pretty excited about it. That horse is awesome."

Franks also made Free Shipping look good and added \$20,053 to his earnings. He has collected \$37,670 in four nights in Las Vegas and pushed his season earnings to more than \$154,000.

Of course, it was a much different feeling around the bareback riders locker room from Round 3 to Round 4.

On Friday Franks rode Rafter G Rodeo's Ankle Biter for 83.5 points. He finished in a three-way tie for sixth place in the second go-round and collected his second check of this year's National Finals Rodeo.

He finished Friday in a tie for fifth place in the opening round, so he's pushed his NFR earnings to nearly \$18,000. Now in just his second year qualifying for ProRodeo's championship event, he's gaining a strong understanding of what it takes to be successful.

"I feel like last year started off a lot better than I have this year," he said. "When the time comes, I'll be ready. There are eight horses left to go. I'm not too worried about it. I'm going to take it on tomorrow and try to win in the (eliminator) pen. If you can do it, that's doing a lot."

"Last year I was almost dreading the E pen a little bit," Franks said. "It was my first time being here, my first E pen, so it was nerve wracking. I'm looking forward to it now. About halfway through the year this year, I was ready for more of the strong buckers just to test myself a little more, so I'm looking forward to the strong pen."

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