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

Local cities receive January sales tax

Clarendon's sales tax revenue dropped slightly for the second month in a row when Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar delivered January allocations last week.

The city's monthly revenue dropped 1.63 percent to \$37,641.56 compared to the same period in 2022.

Hedley's January allocation was up 2.19 percent at \$824.57, and Howardwick's revenue rose 15.84 percent to \$1,868.31.

Statewide, Hegar delivered \$1.07 billion in local sales tax allocations for January, 7.6 percent more than in January 2022.

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

Medicare program to be held Jan. 23

The Donley County Senior Citizens Center will host a Medicare Versus Medicare Advantage Program on Monday, January 23. The program will begin at 12:30 p.m., and the public is invited to come learn the differences between the programs.

FUMC chili cook-off to be February 5

The First United Methodist Church will hold a Post-Ground Hog Day Chili Cook-off & Bake Sale on Sunday, February 5, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Tasting will start at 5:30 p.m., and public can make donations for their favorite chili.

To enter or for more information, call Katherine Monroe at 806-204-1235 or Regina Herndon at 806-335-6162.

Historic letters to be read at Library

Residents who have old letters that are difficult to read are invited to bring them to the Burton Memorial Library on Friday, February 17, from 4 to 5 p.m.

Evan Wenner, an educator at the Charles & Mary Ann Goodnight Ranch State Historic Site, will be available to help people read the handwriting on old letters.

City, county surveys are now underway

An important survey is underway by Donley County, the City of Clarendon, and the City of Hedley, which should help local communities become eligible for more grant funds.

The survey will determine whether our communities can apply for grants to purchase new ambulances, conduct street repairs, and other projects.

Participation is voluntary, but it is vital that local officials collect enough responses to correct inaccurate census information and ensure county and city eligibility to apply for these grants.



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Filing now open for local elected offices

Citizens wishing to serve their community can now sign up for positions at six local governments that are scheduled to hold elections this spring.

The cities of Clarendon, Hedley, and Howardwick; the Clarendon and Hedley school districts; and the Donley County Hospital District all have a total of 17 positions available this year.

In Clarendon, the two-year terms of Mayor Jacob Fangman and Aldermen Terri Floyd and Eulaine McIntosh are up this year.

Also on the city ballot this year, residents will be asked to renew the street maintenance sales tax.

The City of Hedley has three aldermen's positions up this year. Those are two-year terms and are currently held by Aldermen Trisha Chambless, Alicia Hanes, and Jennifer Floyd.

In Howardwick the terms of Mayor Tony Clemishire and Aldermen Johnny Floyd and Jada Murray are expiring. Those are all two-year terms.

Clarendon ISD Trustees serve three years, and the terms of Kyle Davis and Chrisi Tucek are expiring this year.

Hedley ISD has two full three-year terms and one unexpired term up this year. Troy Monroe and Shauna Herbert currently hold the full-term seats, and Tangel Copelin is serving the unexpired term.

The Donley County Hospital District Board of Directors has three two-year terms up this year. Those are currently held by Rose Lemley Place 1, Jeff Robertson – Place 2, and

Melinda McAnear – Place 3.

All local boards are elected at-large, but hospital board candidates must file for a specific place on the board. Candidate applications are available from the administrative offices of each entity. Applications for the City of Clarendon positions are also available at cityofclarendontx.com.

Filing for these offices began January 18 and continues through Friday, February 17. Elections are scheduled to be held Saturday, May 6, 2023.

Harper, Ehlert win beef division 39 youth exhibit animals at show

The 2023 Donley County Junior Livestock Show was held last Saturday, January 14, at the Donley County Activity Center with Tyler Harper and Taylee Ehlert winning the beef division.

Harper showed the Grand Champion Steer, and Ehlert exhibited the Grand Champion Heifer.

Other top winners were Brandon and his Grand Champion Sheep, Ajax Caudle and his Grand Champion Goat, Kennadie Cummins with the Grand Champion Gilt and Jaxon Robertson with his Grand Champion Barrow.

Reserve Champion honors went to Hudson Howard, steer; Gracen Sims, heifer; Madison Moore, sheep; Flint Pittman, goat; Harrison Howard, barrow; and Jaxon Robertson, gilt.

Thirty-nine youth from the Donley County 4-H and Clarendon and Hedley chapters of the FFA exhibited their animals last weekend.

The livestock auction following the show generated an estimated \$33,250 as of Tuesday morning, and that number will increase as donations continue to be received. Last year's show brought in \$40,750 by this point.

Showmanship awards this year went to Brandon Moore – junior sheep, Mya Edwards – senior sheep, Emily McCurdy – junior goats, Lancy Gates – senior goats, Hudson Howard – junior beef, Tyler Harper – senior beef, Jaxon Robertson – junior swine, and Harrison Howard – senior swine. The Pee Wee Showmanship winners were Alix Roberts and Tex Naylor.

Complete results of the show are as follows:

Steers
English – Trigg Harper, Breed Champion; and Presley Smith, Reserve Breed.

American Light Weight – Trigg Harper, Breed Champion; and Lancy Gates, Reserve Breed.

American Heavy Weight – Harrison Howard, first; and Presley Smith, second.

Cross Light Weight – Hudson Howard, Reserve Champion; Lancy Gates, second; Levi Gates, third; and Grant Haynes, fourth.

Cross Medium Weight – Tyler Harper, Breed Champion; Grant Haynes, second; and Parker Haynes, third.

Cross Heavy Weight – Tyler Harper, Grand Champion; Harrison Howard, second; and Levi Gates, third.

Heifers – Taylee Ehlert, Grand Champion; and Gracen Sims, Reserve Champion.

Sheep

Class 1 – Brandon Moore, Grand Champion; Madison Moore, Reserve Champion; and Javier Valles, third.

Class 2 – Mya Edwards, first and second.

Goats



Dawson Hall (top photo) leads his animal in the pee wee category during the Donley County Junior Livestock Show last Saturday. Tyler Harper (bottom photo) had the Grand Champion Steer of this year's show. See more photos on page 3.

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Class 1 – Kensler Roberts, first; Slaid Pittman, second; Javier Valles, third; Fayde Turner, fourth; Emberly Gonzalez, fifth; and Emily Gonzalez, sixth.

Class 2 – Emily McCurdy, first; Flint Pittman, second; Ajax Caudle, third; Adleigh Moore, fourth; and Emily McCurdy, fifth.

Class 3 – Ajax Caudle, Grand Champion; Lancy Gates, second; Kensler Roberts, third; and Slaid Pittman, fourth.

Class 4 – Flint Pittman, Reserve Champion; Kaitin Ehlert,

second; Lancy Gates, third; and Morgan Mills, fourth.

Gilts – Kennadie Cummins, Grand Champion; Jaxon Robertson, Reserve Champion; Jase Conway, third; Kaitin Ehlert, fourth; Ehmjey Martinez, fifth; and Tandie Cummins, sixth.

Barrows
BOPB – Harrison Howard, Breed Champion; and Iziak Weathered, Reserve Breed.

Duroc – Maloree Wann, Breed Champion; Trigg Harper, Reserve Champion; and Hunter Wann, third.

Hamp – Jaxon Robertson, Grand Champion; Savannah Trent, Reserve Breed; and Megan Weathered, third.

Cross Light Weight – Maloree Wann, first; Hudson Howard, second; Heston Seay, third; and Tyler Harper, fourth.

Cross Medium Weight – Cutter Seay, first; Hunter Wann, second; and Zurinity Martinez, third.

Cross Heavy Weight – Harrison Howard, Reserve Champion; Jaxon Robertson, Reserve Breed; and Hudson Howard, third.

Howardwick fighting back on Red River rate increase

Howardwick City Hall is pushing back against a 40 percent water rate increase from Red River Water Authority, which will go into effect next month.

City Secretary Sandy Childress said Mayor Tony Clemishire spoke to the Red River board during a hearing in December, but the board approved the rate increase over the community's objections.

The increase will change the minimum water bill for Howardwick residents from \$73.50 per month to \$103 per month.

"We've got the surveys that show 70 percent of our people out here are below the poverty level," Childress said. "They can't pay this."

Howardwick's only recourse is to petition the water authority to appeal the rate increase; but since the rate increase affects the entire Red River system, the threshold for petitioning is high.

"We have to get more than 400 signatures of customers, and we only have about 70 in Howardwick," Childress said, so she is tracking down all the Red River customers she can find and will even take the petition to them if necessary.

In a letter to customers dated December 22, 2022, the Red River General Manager Randy Whiteman said the rate increase is needed.

"The Authority realizes that rate increases are not popular, but to achieve the Utility Division's basic objective of providing a safe, potable water supply capable of meeting customers' needs at the most economical cost, the rate increase is necessary," Whiteman wrote.

Barring a successful appeal, the increase will take effect February 1 and show up on the March billing.

Red River customers interested in signing Howardwick's petition are asked to call Childress at City Hall at 806-874-2222.

Seminar to help beef producers

Rebuilding Your Herd and Pasture Seminar will be hosted Jan. 18 by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service at the Moore County Community Building, 1600 S. Maddox Ave., Dumas.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m., followed by the program from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event is free, including lunch.

Topics and speakers on the agenda include: How to rebuild your herd following severe drought – Jason Smith, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist, Amarillo. Cow efficiency studies, milk efficiencies and research – David Lalman, Ph.D., Extension beef cattle specialist at Oklahoma State University. Panel discussion with two local producers, Tommy Cartrite and Clint Hoelting – minimalists to advance feeding ideologies and their advantages/disadvantages. Economic factors to consider with rebuilding herds and markets – Justin Benavidez, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension economist, Amarillo.

For more information, call 806-935-2594.

The reasons people quit

By Dr. Walter Wendler

Fewer expressions bring greater disappointment, trepidation and remorse than “I quit.” Vince Lombardi helped create the anxiety of “I quit.” You know the quips: “Winners never quit, and quitters never win.” Or, how about this one “It’s not whether you get knocked down, it is whether you get up.” And, before I get branded as hard-nosed and insensitive, there are times when attending university, an employment circumstance or any other engagement where quitting is appropriate. Mistakes are made. But sometimes, it’s an excuse for a poorly considered future.

Sirley Carballo with Element451 claims, United States universities is one of the most significant challenges in higher education. A recent Education Data Initiative study found that approximately 40% of those enrolled will drop out. Of these, 40% leave because of over-indebtedness, which is the single most frequently cited reason for a degreeless departure, according to recent data. Forbes claims that nearly 39 million Americans have college credits without completing a degree. Unattended, these facts create heartburn regarding higher education. In addition, community colleges struggle. Sara Weissman with Inside HigherEd details how in California, most community college students never graduate or transfer. Coach Lombardi would be distraught. “Once you learn to quit, it becomes a habit,” said he.

The causes for this completion catastrophe are widely attributed.

Universities don’t do enough to focus on study costs and long-term earning implications. The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board recommends students not borrow more than 60% of the anticipated starting salary in their occupation of choice. The Bureau of Labor Statistics makes this data easily available. Is this perfect? No. Is it better than borrowing willy-nilly with no concern for the marketability of the investment? Infinitely.

West Texas A&M University openly shares ways to ensure the highest potential for completion of the first year and continuing into the second. Some ways include support for students in diverse settings, living-learning communities, tutoring opportunities, supportive faculty and staff and strong encouragement to engage those who love and are loved by the student. For students with a significant number of hours accumulated, programs that make completion of courses available online provide prospects to complete requirements while working, caring for families and attending to the circumstances of life. Focus, thoughtfulness and discipline are required. I can hear him now, “Mental toughness is spartanism with qualities of sacrifice, self-denial, dedication. It is fearlessness, and it is love.”

Students and their families share part of the responsibility. The table for disaster, debt and disappointment is set if a family or student believes a college education is essential for productive citizenship. If a would-be student has not performed well in high school or shows a gift for hands-on work, such as a trade or vocation, they would be better served to aspire to something that aligns with those interests. Student aspirations should be carefully lined up with the means and actions to achieve them. When things don’t work as intended, soften the impact of leaving the institution. Configure proper separation, don’t just quit. National Student Clearinghouse Research Center’s 2021 Persistence and Retention report found that 17% of currently enrolled students, the majority being freshmen, say they do not plan to return in the next academic year. Depending on the time of the semester, refunds may be in order. In addition, carefully closing out the records is an important step should a return to study in the future be in the cards. They are afforded the freedom of being on their own, and a “party culture” attracts their attention, too frequently creating a loss of focus and often inadequate academic performance. Coach Lombardi would say, “The achievements of an organization are the results of the combined effort of each individual.”

Forces outside the campus gate are impactful. Lenders and legislative action often make borrowing easy or perpetuate the parable that people must have a college degree to be successful, adding to the culture of quitting. Some students quit college because there is a boom in the job market. According to a CNBC report, most students who quit want to find a job, and with pay scales exceeding those at any time in history, this may be a reasonable action. High inflation squeezes the general population and college students as well. Nearly one in three students quit college because they can’t afford the living expenses on top of tuition and fees. Lastly, a frequent reason for leaving is that students are not sure what they want to study. With any or all of these considerations that affect retention, quitting is ultimately the student’s responsibility. It’s important for all to work through the issues carefully, without hesitancy, with eyes wide open. Knute Rockne may have said it best, “Most men, when they think they are thinking, are merely rearranging their prejudices.”

Ultimately, the student alone says, “I quit.” Nobody else can say that for them.

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

Great oaks from little acorns grow

There is a saying that “Great oaks from little acorns grow.” Perhaps a modification could be “Great people from little cities come.” Such a saying would aptly describe Alvin Leo Jensen, born in 1930 to parents of Danish extraction in the little Danish community of Danevang, Texas.

After graduating from high school in nearby El Campo, Ala., as he was known, attended Rice University and earned civil engineering degrees in 1952 and 1953. He worked his way through college by laboring as a carpenter’s helper for Brown & Root, a large construction firm in Houston. Following his college graduation, Al joined the construction firm of Farnsworth & Chambers. In this capacity, he supervised projects at Los Alamos, New Mexico and he served as a project manager building the academic complex of the US Air Force Academy in Colorado.

After only four years with Farnsworth & Chambers, Al was ready to strike out on his own, so in 1957, he became a founding shareholder of H.A. Lott, Inc., where he soon became president and Chief Executive Officer. Under Al’s leadership, the Lott company did

not do small jobs; they did big jobs. In Houston, they built the Astrodome, the Hofheinz Pavilion, and the Compaq Center. In San Antonio, they build the Riverwalk and the Tower of Americas. In Austin, they built the Ervin Center and the addition to Memorial Stadium at the University of Texas. Throughout his 40 years with Lott, Al became nationally recognized, and he served on numerous boards in industry, academia, and charities.

After a career of significant accomplishments, it was time for Al Jensen to retire from Lott. Even though stricken with cancer and undergoing chemotherapy, it was also time for him to give something back to the community of his youth. He designed a simple, but beautiful, building to serve as a museum for the Danevang Historic Society. With a normal size floor area, the building is modeled to resemble a large Danish



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barn. Al not only designed the building, he made many trips to Danevang to personally guide its construction. Weakened with cancer, he would sit in a chair and give instructions.

One day during the early phase of construction, Rev. Laird Engle, pastor of the Danish Lutheran Church in Danevang questioned Al about the contrast in size and scope between the barn project and the massive projects of the Lott company under Al’s leadership.

“After all the large-scale projects you have done, this one must seem like peanuts,” Laird suggested.

Looking up from his chair, Jensen responded, “No! I was born and raised here in Danevang, and this is where my heart is.”

Al Jensen made one special request before his death on February 17, 2004. Instead of a regular looking tombstone, he asked his wife to have a Viking barrow erected over his grave. A Viking barrow is a massive roughly egg-shaped granite stone resting on three smaller, rounded stones.

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



Let us all gather for time of prayer

Inherent with insistence to dig ever deeper – rarely satisfied with merely getting to the bottom of things – are the risks of learning more than we want to know. There are ever so many places to dig, with ever-growing types of tools with which to excavate. Years ago, the late German Emperor Otto von Bismarck warned that laws – like sausages – are far better if we don’t see them being made. His quote – even if pilfered from someone else – came to mind following the heart attack of National Football League player Damar Hamlin early in the Monday Night football game on January 2....

Whatever the eventual results of this unfortunate event, it caused the sports world to fall prayerfully to its knees, petitioning restoration of a young man whose life suddenly was infinitely more valued than a football game.

Perhaps some of the same people intent on saying “Happy Holidays” rather than “Merry Christmas” days earlier were united with others, unashamedly praying to God Almighty, the Great Physician. If somehow all of us could be aware of sickness and affliction around the world, we’d be overwhelmed. But on January 2, the spotlight was on a football field, and Damar was at its center....

The act of prayer – often ignored and little valued – was jolted back into prominence throughout the land.

Professing Christians sometimes admit their prayers to be “a last resort.” Someone deeply rooted in the faith responded that it matters not “which

resort,” even if not the “first one.” The episode caused old and young, men and women and folks at opposing ends of political persuasions to be united in the matter of prayer. On the radio and TV airwaves for days following, “prayer” may have been the most word most heard, sometimes from folks we’d least expect....

The episode made me think of famous quotes about prayer, one of which I’ve heard from grade school days. No doubt, it is familiar to you as well. It reads, “More things are wrought by prayer than this world dreams of.” Perhaps I should have left it at that. After all, I was unaware of its origin, merely thinking that it was penned by some famous preacher. Turns out, the author was famous, but with leanings more clearly toward poetry than to clergy. While learning more about the life of Alfred Lord Tennyson, I felt drawn to his poetic genius, and less to his life wracked by sorrow, illness and discord. His life was torn by much; I’ll leave it at that....

From a selfish standpoint, I finally have something in common with a professional football player. I, too, was

felled by a heart attack, and I, too, was immediately attended by health professionals, both for CPR and jolts from an AED machine. My “moment,” too, was at the center of things, since I had just begun extending welcome and making announcements during a Sunday morning church service in October 2021. I tumbled from the platform, landing on our senior pastor, seated on the first row....

Admittedly, that’s* where comparisons end. His episode was witnessed by 70,000 or so in person, with millions more viewing on television. Mine was viewed by 300 worshipers, as well as several dozen watching the service online. Yet, responses were similar, albeit on far different scales. Fans broke into prayer for Damar by the millions. For me, it was a few hundred. I place highest values on these prayers, as I’m sure he does. For many years, when friends have mentioned prayers for me, I’ve answered that “I need the prayer and they need the practice.” Such remains so. Finally, it is noteworthy that Damar’s heart issues also have brought out the generosity of Americans.

His “Go Fund Me” initiative – intended to provide toys for children in his hometown of Pittsburgh, PA – had reached \$2,500 by year’s end. Now, the figure is approaching \$10 million, likely to go higher....

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The showmanship winners: Sheep- Brandon Moore (junior), Mya Edwards (senior); Goats- Emily McCurdy (junior), Laney Gates (senior); Beef- Hudson Howard (junior), Tyler Harper (senior); Swine- Jaxon Robertson (junior), Harrison Howard (senior). The Pee Wee showmanship winners were Tex Naylor and Alix Roberts.



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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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9	4	1	3	7	2	5	8	6

ANSWER:

¿Qué Pasa?

Community Calendar

January 19
Broncos Powerlifting • 4:05 p.m. • Childress

January 20
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Wellington • 6:30 p.m. • Home

January 20
Owls & Lady Owls v White Deer • 5:00 p.m. • Away

January 20 & 21
Avatar: The Way of Water • 7:30 p.m. • Mulkey Theater

January 22
Avatar: The Way of Water • 2:00 p.m. • Mulkey Theater

January 24
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Wheeler • 6:30 p.m. • Home

January 24
Owls & Lady Owls v Valley • 5:00 p.m. • Home

January 27
Broncos & Lady Broncos v Quanah • 6:30 p.m. • Away

Menus

Jan. 23 - 27

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Tortilla soup, pimento sandwich, zucchini sticks, pasta salad, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
Tues: Chicken, rice, peas & carrots, roll, fruit salad, pudding parfait, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Pork tenderloin, potatoes au gratin, steamed cabbage, cornbread, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.
Thurs: Beef stroganoff, wide noodles, cauliflower & broccoli blend, Texas toast, fruit cocktail, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Vegetable soup, chicken salad, crackers, carrot salad, applesauce, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, cream gravy, corn, pumpkin squares, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.
Tue: Beef, bean, & cheese burrito, butter cauliflower, Mexican rice, peach parfait, cantaloupe, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Honey glazed ham, baked potato, canned green beans, angel food cake w/strawberries, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.
Thurs: BBQ chicken breast, brown rice, vegetable melody, banana pudding, wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Beef stew w/potatoes & veggies, tossed salad, banana bread, cornbread, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD

Breakfast
Mon: Sausage, biscuit, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Tues: Breakfast taquito, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Wed: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Thu: Breakfast cookie, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
Fri: Donut, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
Mon: Fish sticks, fries, coleslaw, roll, fruit, milk.
Tues: Tex-mex stack, beans, salsa, carrots, fruit, milk.
Wed: Chicken alfredo, breadstick, salad, fruit, milk.
Thu: Popcorn chicken, roll, salad, fruit, milk.
Fri: Hot dog, tots, tomato cup, 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, garden salad, veggie cup, fruity gelatin, milk.
Thu: Breaded pork chop, roll, brown gravy, broccoli, corn, mandarin oranges, milk.
Fri: Pizza, carrots, green beans, apple, cookie, milk.

Retired School Personnel to meet on Jan. 23

The Donley County Retired School Personnel Association will have their bi-monthly meeting on Monday, January 23, at 6:00 p.m. in the Church of Christ Family Life Center. All members are reminded to have their volunteer hours ready to turn in at this meeting. Also, this will potluck night, so bring your favorite dish.

Survey will help our community

Over the last couple of weeks, my friend Mason and I have been working on a new job. Our job is to go to every house in the entire City of Clarendon and ask them a five-question survey.

The survey is basically like a miniature census, and it helps the city and the county to qualify for more federal grants for things like new roads and new ambulances. The survey is being done because a large percentage of the population in

the town didn't participate in the 2020 census, so our community does not qualify for many federal grants.

In an effort to keep taxes from raising, the city and the county are doing this survey to help us qualify for grant money.



the cub reporter
by benjamin estlack

We've been fairly successful so far, but I'm writing this column to give out some more information on it in the hopes that more people will be willing to talk to us and so we can hopefully get more money for the town.

We would like to thank everyone who has already taken the time and filled out the short, easy survey; and if you haven't seen us yet, we probably will be knocking on your door soon!

Producers reminded of forage certification option

The US Department of Agriculture (USDA) reminds agricultural producers with perennial forage crops of an option to report their acreage once, without having to report that acreage in subsequent years, as long as there are no applicable changes on the farm.

Interested producers can select the continuous certification option after USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) certifies their acreage report.

"FSA's continuous certification option simplifies future acreage reporting of perennial crops, and it can also help streamline the application process for many of our farm programs, including disaster assistance programs," said FSA Administrator Zach Ducheneaux. "For example, when persistent drought conditions over the past year affected livestock producers in the West and Great Plains, producers who had previously filed a continuous acreage report were able to benefit from a streamlined application process for the Livestock Forage Disaster Program."

An acreage report documents a crop grown on a farm or ranch and its intended uses, including perennial crops like mixed forage, birdsfoot

trefoil, chicory/radicchio, kochia (prostrata), lespedeza, perennial peanuts and perennial grass varieties.

To access many USDA programs, producers must file an accurate and timely acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planting acreage.

The perennial crop continuous certification process requires a producer to initially complete an acreage report certifying the perennial crop acreage. The producer may select the continuous certification option any time after the crop is certified.

Once the continuous certification option is selected, the certified acreage will roll forward annually and does not require additional action on the producer's part in subsequent years unless the acreage report changes.

Once a producer selects continuous certification, then continuous certification is applicable to all fields on the farm for the specific crop, crop type and intended use. If continuous certification is selected by any producers sharing in the crop, then the continuous certification is applicable to fields in which the producer has a

share for the specific crop, crop type and intended use.

"Currently less than half of the 336.5 million acres of perennial forage is being reported using the continuous certification process," Ducheneaux said. "Producers can help streamline the reporting process by selecting continuous certification after filing their crop acreage report."

Producers can opt out of continuous certification at any time. The continuous certification will terminate automatically if a change in the farming operation occurs.

To file a crop acreage report, producers need to provide: Crop and crop type or variety; Intended use of the crop; Number of acres of the crop; Map with approximate boundaries for the crop; Planting date(s); Planting pattern, when applicable; Producer shares; Irrigation practice(s); Acreage prevented from planting, when applicable; and Other information as required.

Producers can contact their local FSA office to see if their crops are eligible for continuous certification or to make an appointment. Producers can make an appointment to report acres by contacting their local USDA Service Center.

TAMU begins aggressive scholarship campaign

The most aggressive scholarship campaign in the history of the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Sciences began last week with an announcement by Jeffrey W. Savell, Ph.D., vice chancellor and dean of agriculture and life sciences, of the Dean's Excellence Scholarships.

The campaign will create a series of \$100,000 endowments as part of a large initiative for the College to recruit and support undergraduate students. These endowments will create numerous four-year scholarships of \$4,000 or more per year.

To kick off the campaign and immediately begin supporting students in the fall of 2023, Savell has pledged the College to fund 60 scholarships for 2023 and 2024

entering freshman, 30 scholarships for each year.

The campaign's first goal is to create at least 30 scholarship endowments by the end of 2023, Savell said.

This announcement marks the first set of Dean's scholarships for the College, and Savell said the endowments create a legacy for all future deans to continue the support of student excellence.

While the Dean's Excellence Scholarships are meant to support all areas of study and are open to all incoming students, the first year will have an additional focus on future Corps of Cadets members and first-generation students. Both these groups are emphasized in Texas A&M University's recruitment mission.



Blast off

Clarendon students in Mr. Leeper's physics class launched nine rockets from Sandy Beach last week.

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Obituaries

Root

Wanda Sibley Root, 86, of Canyon, passed away on Monday, January 9, 2023. Graveside services were held on Saturday, January 14, 2023, at Dreamland Cemetery in Canyon with Rev. Gene Jones officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Brooks Funeral Directors.



Root

Wanda was born on October 28, 1936, in the Martin Community near Clarendon in Donley County. She attended school in a one room schoolhouse in the Martin Community until the sixth grade. She then attended school in Clarendon and was a graduate of Clarendon High School and Clarendon Junior College. Wanda married Harold Root on January 13, 1964, in the First Baptist Church parlor in Amarillo with her uncle, Spencer Sibley, officiating.

Wanda was Harold's partner in every aspect of living. She was the office manager and partner with Harold in the H. Root Company for 59 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Canyon and the Randall County Historical Commission. She enjoyed word search puzzles, crocheting, and was a wonderful cook. She was very quick-witted, and one seldom got the last word with her. Wanda's greatest joy was her family, and she loved attending the many activities of her grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by

her parents and her sister, JoAnne Brown.

She is survived by her husband of almost 59 years, Harold Root of Canyon; her daughter, Gena Richardson and husband, Jerry of Canyon; her son, Dan Root and wife, Natalie of Canyon; four grandchildren, Kristen Flowers and husband, Darren of Canyon, Ben Barrett of Berlin, Germany, and Ripley Root and Jaidyn Root of Canyon; two great grandchildren, Leah and Koen Flowers; nephew, Richard Benton of Clarendon; as well as beloved cousins, nieces, nephews, and many friends.

The family suggests memorials be to a favorite charity.

Sparks

Connie McAnear Sparks, 63, of Clarendon died Wednesday, January 11, 2023, in Amarillo.

Services were held on Monday, January 16, 2023, in the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon with Pastor Seth Shipman and Pastor Seth Seale, officiating. Burial followed in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon.

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

Connie was born November 9, 1959, in Rupert Falls, Idaho to Samuel and Mary McAnear. She grew up in Clarendon and was a graduate of Clarendon High School. She started working as secretary at the Texas Saddlery, before starting



Sparks

a 30 plus year career taking care of "her boys" as secretary at the Dept. of Public Safety, until her retirement in 2015. She was a resident of Clarendon for most of her life, until she married the love of her life Tony Sparks on Aug. 25, 2007. They enjoyed the beginning of their life together in Clarendon before moving to the 6666 Ranch near Borger, Texas. There she became a full-time ranch wife and eventually began cooking for the cowboys and sewing for the 6666 Supply Store in Guthrie, Texas. Connie and Tony recently moved back to Clarendon to sit back and begin enjoying the retired life.

Connie had lots of hobbies through the years. She loved to crochet and cross stitch; she loved to sew and quilt for family and friends from young to old. She loved being in the kitchen cooking meals for family and was excited to get back to cooking for her church family. Connie was a bright light to everyone and a beacon to more people than she could ever comprehend, her smile and kindness will be missed by many.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

She is survived by her husband, Tony Sparks of Clarendon; her daughters, Dawn McAnear and husband Thomas Vail of Houston, Johnnie Ova and husband Chris and Jamee Emo and husband Danny all of Paola, Kansas; her brother, Stuart McAnear of Clarendon; her grandchildren, Chase, Harley, CynRah, Zaylee, Zion, Ezra, Juniper, and one on the way; and her church friends, friends, and extended family.

The family request memorials be sent to the Calvary Baptist Church in Clarendon.

Sign the online guestbook at www.robertsonfuneral.com

High Plains Public Radio Receives Grant

The W.H. & Mary Ellen Cobb Charitable Trust has awarded High Plains Public Radio a \$15,000 grant.

The Cobb Trust's grant will provide operating support to High Plains Public Radio's four stations serving people in the Texas Panhandle. KJJP-FM 105.7-Amarillo, KTOT-FM 89.5-Spearman-Perryton, and KTDH-FM 89.3-Dalhart broadcast a mix of news, public affairs, music, and cultural programming and FM 94.9-Amarillo broadcasts news and public-affairs program-

ming 24 hours a day.

"We're very thankful for the Foundation's support," said HPPR's Development Director Abby Killingsworth.

"Their assistance is vital to providing quality reporting and great music to radio listeners across the Texas Panhandle. Their investment makes possible everything from 'Morning Edition' to the 'Sinfonia' to 'High Plains Morning'."

The W.H. & Mary Ellen Cobb Charitable Trust was founded in

1996 "to benefit local charities in the Panhandle."

High Plains Public Radio (HPPR) has been providing public-radio service for 42 years, starting in 1980 with the launch of its first station in southwest Kansas.

Over the years, HPPR has grown to provide service to nearly 300 communities in 80 counties across four states in the High Plains region through an interconnected network of 11 FM stations and six FM translators.



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CLUES ACROSS

- Not invited
- Whale ship captain
- One point south of southwest
- Small cavity in a rock
- Recidivists
- City of Angels hoopster
- A way to mark with one's signature
- OJ trial judge
- Rice cooked in broth
- One point east of due south
- One point east of southeast
- Complements an entree
- Grouped by twos
- Disfigure
- Woods
- Political action committee
- Longer of 2 bones in the forearm
- Kin groups
- Philippine Island
- Contrary to
- Bluish-gray fur
- Comprehend the written word
- Natural depressions
- Felines
- Breathe noisily
- Taxi
- Pancake made from buckwheat flour
- Swiss river
- Foot (Latin)
- Have surgery
- Formal withdrawal
- Monetary units of Peru
- Greek war god
- 2,000 lbs.
- High points

CLUES DOWN

- Green and yellow citrus fruit
- A bright color
- Thicket
- Journalist Tarbell
- A place to work or relax
- Sharp mountain ridge
- Helicopter
- Mimic
- Suggests
- More musty
- Large, flightless rail
- Make beer
- Soviet Socialist Republic
- People who account for you
- Taunt
- South Dakota
- Cover the entirety of
- Kids' favorite visitor
- A way to save for retirement
- Fencing swords
- C. China mountain range
- Type of sandwich
- Team
- Paddle
- Partly digested food
- Most cagey
- Shoppers make one
- Cathode-ray tube
- Food supplies
- Backbones
- Concern
- Blood group
- Broadway songwriter Sammy
- Dutch colonist
- Full-grown pike fish
- Deity of a monotheistic cult
- Type of bread
- S. Nigerian people
- Scottish tax
- Young women's association
- Brazilian city
- Hide of a young animal
- Midway between north and northeast

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2nd Grade: Jordan Bridges, Strattan Burton, Liam Guerra, Lainey Hanks, Kelton Herndon, Baylee Jones, Presley Lockhart, Elliott Robertson, Welsynn Shields, Addeley Snure, Zachary Taylor

3rd Grade: Jaxon Carter, Jase Conway, Keighen Crump, Camree Dean, Ainslie Lewis, Jensyn Lewis, Kensler Roberts, Hunter Shields, Anna Springer, Jax Vanden Boogaard

4th Grade: Kamberlyn Bartley, Cotton Halsey, Adlee Martinez, Matthew Newhouse, Henry Robertson

5th Grade: Kassie Askew, Teagan Chesser, Emma Christopher, Kennadi Gaither, Trigg Harper

6th Grade: Brance Bell

7th Grade: Kennedy Halsey, Addi Havens, Justus McAnear, Flint Pittman

8th Grade: Zane Cruse, Ella Estlack, Kendon Hanes

9th Grade: Kyler Bell, Madilyn Benson, Ayden Bordonaro, Kashlyn Conkin, Ranger Drenth, Gracie Ellis, Elliot Frausto, Kenidee Hayes, Kaleb Mays, Berkeley Moore, Alexis Phillips, Presley Smith

10th Grade: Joshua Allred, Emily Clark, Kennadie Cummins, Tandie Cummins, Benjamin Estlack, Maloree Wana, Gracie Wilkins, Bryce Williams, Chelsea Wright

11th Grade: Briana Childers, Courtlyn Conkin, Easton Frausto, Levi Gates, Avery Halsey, Toby Leeper, Jaxan McAnear, Jacob Murillo, Laney Rummel, Cutter Seay, Lyric Smith, William Warren

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8th Grade: Chaseton Erwin, Parker Haynes, Alana Johnson

9th Grade: Mary Jo Dushay, Shane Hagood, Alexis Phillips, Heston Seay

10th Grade: Joshua Allred, Mariana Mercado Vazquez

11th Grade: Riley Wade

We salute these kids for striving to be the best in our schools.
Congratulations and keep studying!

Clarendon Insurance Agency



Broncos topple Memphis, lose to Childress

By Sandy Anderberg

The Bronco varsity made short work of the Memphis Cyclones defeating them 70-29 on the road last Friday night. The win was the first of the district season for the Broncos. They will host Wellington at home on Friday, January 20, beginning at 8 p.m. On January 24, they will take on Wheeler at home.

Lyric Smith got the best of the Cyclones and scored 26 points that included one three-pointer and scoring five out of nine free throws. Tyler Harper joined Smith in double figures with 13 points. The Broncos took control early on and never looked back. They hit shot after shot and their solid defensive play frustrated the Cyclones who struggled to

find the basket. Anthony Cenicerros went two for two from the bonus line and finished with nine points. Jmaury Davis and Josiah Hearn added eight points each, and Kaleb Bolin helped with six.

Earlier in the week, the Broncos narrowly lost to a very physical Childress team 38-46 that included a heavy-duty defensive effort by both

teams. The game stayed fairly even through three quarters, but Childress gained a six-point advantage going into the final eight minutes. The Broncos never gave up but were not able to close the gap.

Smith finished with 18, and Davis had 16. Hearn and Harper had two points apiece.

Lady Broncos gain momentum with two wins

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos had a big week as they posted a win at home over Quannah and destroyed Memphis on the road to put them at 3-0 in district play.

The game with the Quannah Lady Indians was close at 49-40, but the Lady Broncos annihilated the Lady Cyclones 81-20.

The game with Quannah was close early on, but a strong second quarter allowed the ladies to pull away until the final quarter of play when the Lady Indians began to narrow the gap. Leading by 16 points, the Lady Broncos seemed to have the game in hand, but Quannah

staged a small comeback attempt that brought them within nine of the Lady Broncos. But the strength of Clarendon's shooting game and their quick defense gave them the confidence they needed to stay the course.

They were also able to finish with a strong free throw percentage at 78 percent.

Senior Baylee Gabel turned up the heat and posted 12 points in the game that included one three-pointer and making three of four free throws, and Courtlyn Conkin and Finley Cunningham followed with nine each. Makenna Shadle had six, Hayden Elam put in five, and Kenidee Hayes had four. Berk-

ley Moore hit one three-pointer, and Kennadie Cummins put in one.

The Lady Broncos played so solid at Memphis that the Lady Cyclones did not have a chance to stop Clarendon's strong and aggressive offensive attack.

The scoring was spread throughout the entire team, which gave them several options on the court. The ladies were able to do anything they wanted on both ends of the court and take their time to execute the plays. Freshman Kenidee Hayes was strong in the first quarter and put in six of her total 12 points in the game, and senior stand out Finley Cunningham hit two big

three-pointers in that second eight minutes while holding Memphis to only seven first half points.

The Lady Cyclones were completely stifled by the Lady Bronco defense and could not put points on the board. Clarendon caused their opponent several turnovers and were able to convert them to points.

Moore led the way with 15, and Hayes had 12. Elam put in 11, and Cunningham and Graci Smith had nine each. Conkin put in eight, Shadle had six, Gabel finished with five, and Tandie and Kennadie Cummins had three apiece.

The Lady Broncos will take on Wellington at home on Friday.

Lady Bronco JV dominate in last two games

The Lady Bronco junior varsity have come together as a team in their last few games and last week was no different. They were able to defeat Quannah at home only allowing them one point and ended the week with a shutout over Memphis.

Solid team play and aggressive defense was key in the wins as the ladies continue to get stronger. They were able to defeat Quannah 61-1 and

win 62-0 at Memphis. The ladies only shot 20 percent from the free throw line but improved to 70 percent against the Lady Cyclones.

Presley Smith was a standout in both games and finished with 17 and 19 points respectively. Smith is quick on defense and does a great job finding her position on the court. Kimbrasia Ballard also finished in double figures with 11 in the game

with Quannah, and Kashlyn Conkin put in nine.

Elliot Frausto ended with six, Gracie Clark had four, and Madi Benson and Millie McAnear had two each.

The Memphis game was never a contest as the ladies were able to score at will. They were unstoppable in the first two quarters of play scoring 20 in the first and 40

in the second. Joining Smith's 19 on the scoreboard against the Lady Cyclones was Conkin who was on fire with 16, and Clark with nine that included being perfect from the bonus line for three free throws.

McAnear was strong and finished with seven points and Gracie Ellis and Benson put in six each.

The Lady Broncos will take on Wellington at home on January 20.

Bronco JV smashes Childress, 52-44

The Bronco junior varsity went up against a good Childress team at home January 10 and defeated them 52-44. Jaxon McAnear scored 19 points in the game to lead all scorers. McAnear hit one three-pointer and shot 60 percent from the bonus line and the team posted 66 percent.

The Broncos fell behind after the first seven minutes but were able to work together to add points to the board in the second quarter and gain a seven-point lead. The second half belonged to the Broncos as they were able to keep adding to their point total while holding the Bobcats at bay.

Also in double figures was Reagan Wade who finished with 10 points that included two big shots from outside the arc and Mason Sims who put in 10 points as well. Grant Haynes and Michael Randall had four points, Riley Wade had three, and Kyler Bell helped with two.



The Clarendon Lions Club held their regular Tuesday noon meeting January 17, 2023, with Boss Lion Landon Lambert in charge.

We had 11 members present this week.

DG Roger Estlack reported on the Mid-Winter Mingle at Lake Tanglewood and presented the club with the Club Excellence Award for 2021-2022. DG Roger also participated in the Polar Bear Plunge with Lake Tanglewood Lions with Lion Nathan Estlack standing over them as the lifeguard. The new Lions Alert mobile kitchen was also dedicated at the event.

Lion Nathan reported the jazz and pep band are being organized at the high school, and Lion Scarlet Estlack reported on the college where classes started today. Lion Darcy Grahn said the college play will be performed February 17 and 18.

Lion Jacob Fangman reported on the city which preparing to apply for more grants and is working on a street improvement plan focusing on the southeast side of town, east of Hwy. 70.

The Boss Lion reported on the county, and Lion Richard Green reported the City of Howardwick is petitioning to roll back a water rate increase from Red River Water Authority.

Plans were discussed for the 5K, the egg hunt, and the district convention, all coming up in April.

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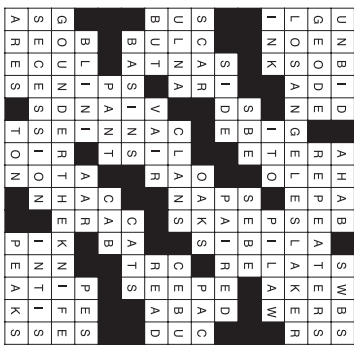
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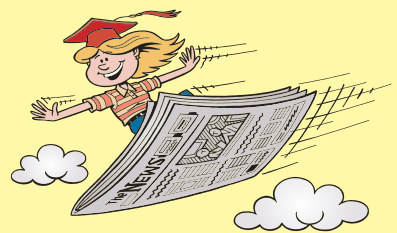
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The Chinese or Lunar New Year begins this year on Sunday, January 22nd. It is the biggest and most important holiday of the year for Chinese families. It is a time for honoring family and visiting friends. It is a time of wishes for good health, good luck, peace, joy and wealth. This celebration is also called "Spring Festival" because it is a time for new beginnings.

Chinese New Year lasts fifteen days. On the first day it is important for family and friends to be together. People warmly remember and honor ancestors. The seventh day is everyone's birthday. Everyone turns one year older at the same time! The New Year celebration ends on the fifteenth day, the day of the Lantern Festival. Lanterns are carried out into the street. There are parades, at the end of which a "dragon" dances for good luck.

- What do you know about the **Chinese New Year**?
Read these clues to fill in the puzzle:
- Chinese New Year, also called _____ Festival, is a 15-day celebration
 - it comes between the fall _____ and the season for spring planting
 - it is celebrated in parts of Asia as well as in U.S. _____ like San Francisco
 - families work hard preparing themselves and their _____ for the holiday
 - they clean the house, _____ away "the old"
 - during the holiday, some get new haircuts and wear new _____
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- the Chinese _____ has 12 animals; each animal standing for one year
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- on the 7th day, which is everyone's _____, people eat very long noodles to bring long life
- people make _____ for the Lantern Festival and hang them or carry them into the street
- "dragons" dance in _____ for good luck on the final day of the celebration

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Extension tips for January gardening

The cold weather and freezing temperatures at the end of the year damaged grasses, plants and trees across the state. The coldest December in Texas in 40 years left gardeners dealing with the ugly aftermath in their gardens and yards.

"We now have a lot of ugly vegetation," said Larry Stein, Ph.D., horticulture specialist at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and associate department head and professor within the Department of Horticultural Sciences at the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Uvalde. "As we have said in the past, learn to like ugly for a while, as there is more winter to come and this vegetation will provide a bit of protection. And, also, we don't know exactly what has been injured."

Stein advised gardeners to leave any damaged greenery in place and avoid pruning, weeding and cleaning up yards and gardens until they are confident the cold weather has passed your area for the year.

While waiting out the weather to see what plants recover, he offered the following gardening guide for January.

Water and fertilize cool-weather annuals

Continue to water and fertilize cool-weather annuals such as snapdragons, Bells of Ireland, stocks, larkspur, pansies, violas and sweet alyssum to encourage the best blooms.

While they are dormant, January is an excellent time to transplant mature or established trees and shrubs. For extra help identifying what tree works best for your yard and tips on how to buy them, visit the Texas A&M Forest Service's Texas Tree Planting Guide.

Check junipers and other narrow-leaf evergreens for bagworm pouches. The insect eggs overwinter in the pouch and start the cycle again by emerging in the spring to feed on the foliage. Hand removal and burning of the pouches reduce future damage.

Plan and prepare for spring flower and vegetable gardens

Make flower and vegetable garden plans now before the rush of spring planting. Time spent "armchair gardening" by the fireplace will

pay off in improved plant selection. Besides, it is fun to page through the garden catalogs and books while contemplating changes in your garden.

Sow seeds in flats or containers to get a jump on plant growth before hot weather arrives. Petunias, begonias and impatiens should be sown in January or February. Warm-temperature plants, such as tomatoes, peppers, marigolds and periwinkles, should be sown in late January or early February.

Prepare beds and garden areas for spring planting. Till in several inches of compost, composted pine bark or similar material.

The life of poinsettias and other holiday season plants can be prolonged with proper care. Keep the soil moist but provide drainage so excess moisture can flow from the pot. Keep the plant out of the range of heating ducts and away from heating units. Keep it in a cool room at night, preferably at 60 to 65 degrees.

Apply slow-release fertilizer to cool season annuals

Apply slow-release fertilizer to pansies and other cool-season annuals. Distribute 5 pounds of cotton seed or alfalfa meal per 100 square feet of bed area or use commercial slow-release fertilizer products according to label instructions.

Don't fertilize newly set out trees or shrubs until after they have started to grow, and then only very lightly the first year. When buying plants, the biggest is not always the best, especially when dealing with bare-root plants. The medium to small sizes, 4-6 feet, are usually faster to become established and more effective in a landscape than larger sizes.

Resist pruning bush roses and grapes until mid-February or early March in northern parts of the state. Herbaceous perennials and hardy ornamental grasses may also be cut back at this time.

It may be easier to assess the extent of freeze damage on citrus and semi-tropical plants when warm weather arrives. When new growth begins, remove damaged material.

For more gardening advice, explore Aggie Horticulture's diverse and robust educational resources and programs.

Lady Colts crush Quanah

The Clarendon Junior High Lady Colts proved they are a team to be reckoned with as they breezed by the Quanah Lady Indians last week 41-10.

The ladies have worked hard to improve their skills as their season continues.

Clarendon had an easy go of things on the offensive end of the court and scored 13 points while holding Quanah to zero in the first quarter of play. Cambree Smith posted eight points in the first six minutes and finished with 20 points.

The Lady Colts worked together as a team and were able

to execute their game plan on the offensive side. Equally as strong on the defensive side, the ladies were able to capitalize on their opponents' turnovers and missed shots. The Lady Indians struggled to put points on the board against the Lady Colts' solid defense.

In addition to Smith's 20 points, Kinslee Hatley put in eight and Addy Havens had six. Eli Rodriguez helped with three, and Ella Estlack and Jayla Woodard added two points each.

The Lady Colts will participate in the Panhandle tournament on January 28.

Colts fight hard against Quanah

The Clarendon Junior High Colts faced off against two strong Quanah teams at home and were narrowly defeated. The B-Team Colts lost 24-27, and the A-Team Colts lost 28-34.

The Colts made up ground after trailing to the Indians early on and even held them scoreless in the third quarter. But Quanah was able to rally in the fourth to get the win.

Kendon Hanes turned up the heat and finished with 12 points, and Klay Wilkins and Aiden Morris each helped with four. Hunter Caison and Aiden Burnam each put in two.

The A-team Colts stayed strong in the opening quarter but were unable to put points on the board in the second.

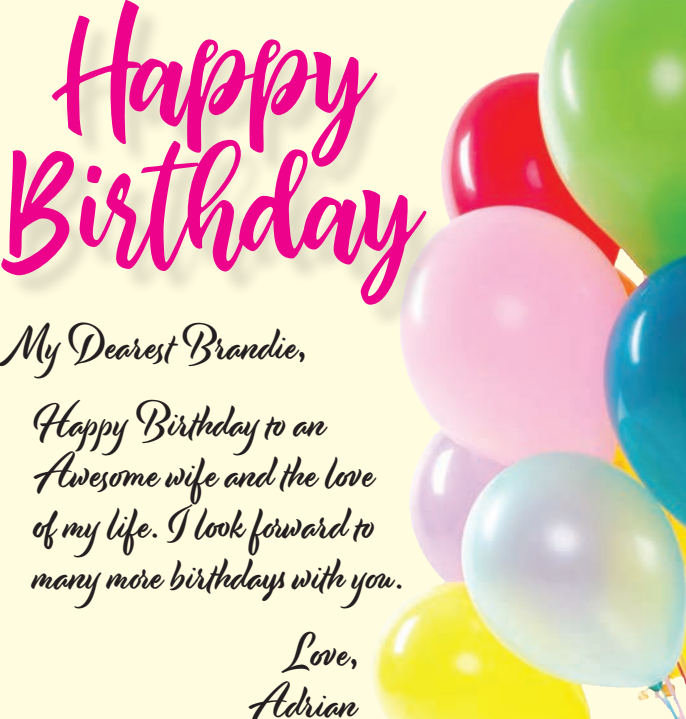
The Indians found a rhythm before the break and went up by 10. The Colts were able to stage a comeback but ran out of time to overtake Quanah and get the win.

Hudson Howard hit two from behind the arc and finished with eight and Braylon Rice had five with one three-pointer. Caleb Herbert and Le'Derion Williams put in four each.

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