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THIS WEEK

4 Clarendon's Pee Wee football squad gets its season started.

5 Clarendon cross country runners do well in competition in Lubbock.

6 The Broncos beat the Hornets in Tulia.

8 And the Lions Club gets a nice donation of glasses.

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

Fun Run to be held here next Saturday

The Kinetic Hot Rods to Harleys Fun Run will be held Saturday, October 7, at the Saints' Roost Museum.

Proceeds of the event will benefit the Christ's Kids Ministry and the Clarendon Lions Club's "Toys for Joy" toy drive.

Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. with breakfast. The Fun Run starts at 9:15 a.m. with lunch at noon and awards at 1:00 p.m. Vendor booths will be available at the museum during the fun run.

This year's 100-mile scenic ride starts and ends at the Saints Roost Museum and travels to Hedley, McLean, and Lake McClellan.

Entry is \$25 per vehicle, and registration is available online at ClarendonTX.com/funrun or in person at the Clarendon Visitor Center.

For more information, call the Clarendon Visitor Center at 806-874-2421.

Cotton Festival to be held October 14

Plans are underway for the 2023 Hedley Cotton Festival to be held Friday and Saturday, October 13 and 14.

Friday night will feature barbecue sandwiches at the Lions Den with chips and drinks. Johnny Woodard will provide music, and everyone is invited to come, stay, and visit.

The Hedley Volunteer Fire Department will get the day started Saturday with a breakfast fundraiser from 7:00 to 9:30 a.m. or until the food runs out. The breakfast will be at the Hedley Senior Citizens building and will cost \$9 per person. The firefighters will also be holding a 50/50 raffle that day. Tickets are available from any firefighter or at Country Bloomers in Clarendon.

The Hedley Senior Citizens will be having a raffle for a Henry Golden Boy .22 rifle and a Henry Lever Action .410. Tickets will be for sale in front of the senior citizens building. The Hedley High School One Act Play will also be having bingo and a silent auction inside the building all day.

The Cotton Festival Kiddie Parade will be held at 11 a.m., and the Festival Parade will be at 1 p.m. For parade entries, contact Mark C. White at 806-277-0412.

The senior citizens will serve hamburgers and chips at noon for lunch, and barbecue sandwiches will also be available again in the Lions Den. All drawings for the festival will be held at 6 p.m. at the Lions Den.

Craft Celebrations to be held Sept. 30

The First Assembly of God will present its Craft Celebrations Fall Edition on Saturday, September 30, 2023. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church at 301 S. Orpe Street.

Camp Cookie wins chuckwagon cookoff

The Camp Cookie wagon team from Germantown, Tennessee, claimed the championship of the Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff last Saturday, September 23, beating out 11 other teams.

Competing in the Saints' Roost Museum's 28th annual cookoff, Camp Cookie placed first in Overall Cooking and first in Beans, Meats, and Desserts as well as second in Bread to win the title of best Overall Wagon & Cooking.

The Shadow Peak Chuckwagon from Weatherford, Texas, placed first in Wagon & Camp this year in its first appearance at the Clarendon cookoff.

The 16th annual Junior Cookoff the day before the big event drew nine contestants, who were paired with experienced wagon teams to prepare potatoes for the cooks' dinner Friday night. First was Erika

Wilson cooking with Honey Do Spoiler, second was Jase Conway cooking with D Bar B Wagon, and third was Teagan Chesser cooking with Camp Cookie. The Jake Tolbert Memorial Award, a Dutch oven, was presented to Wilson by Vince Smith Solano Wagon Co.

Other junior participants were Kassie Askew from Clarendon, cooking with Crosstimber; Asa Bains from Clarendon, 2M Chuckwagon; August Pearson from Clarendon, cooking with Shadow Peak; Noah Pearson from Clarendon, cooking with Double Nichols; Elliott Robertson from Clarendon, cooking with Cocklebur Camp; and Henry Robertson from Clarendon, cooking with Wild Cow Ranch

The Junior Cookoff is sponsored each year by the American Chuckwagon Association.

The trade show was held

throughout the day Saturday, and live entertainment was provided.

Competing wagons served a menu of chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, biscuits, beans, and cobbler. Wagons came from as far as Tennessee and Colorado to attend this year's cookoff.

Prizes totaling \$3,250 were paid out to the winners. Complete results were:

Overall Wagon & Cooking: 1) Camp Cookie.

Overall Cooking: 1) Camp Cookie., 2) Wild Cow Ranch of Fritch., 3) Double Nichols of Amarillo, and 4) D Bar B Chuckwagon of Childress.

Best Wagon & Camp: 1) Shadow Peak, 2) J Bar D Ranch of Amarillo, 3) Crosstimber Ranch of Mustang, Okla., and 4) Wild Cow.

Best Meat: 1) Camp Cookie, 2) D-B, 3) Double Nichols, and 4) Wild



2023 Chuckwagon Champions - Camp Cookie.

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Cow.

Best Beans: 1) Camp Cookie, 2) Honey-Do Spoiler of Pampa, 3) Crosstimber, and 4) Solano Wagon Co. of Tucumcari, New Mexico.

Best Potatoes: 1) J Bar D, 2) D Bar B, 3) Wild Cow, and 4) Double

Nichols.

Best Bread: 1) Shadow Peak, 2) Camp Cookie, 3) Double Nichols, and 4) Crosstimber.

Best Dessert: 1) Camp Cookie, 2) D Bar B, 3) Wild Cow, and 4) J Bar D.



Cooking with a smile

Barbara Seal of the D Bar B Chuckwagon of Childress prepares some homemade biscuits during the 29th annual Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff at the Saints' Roost Museum last Saturday.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

Sheriff nabs Dallas murder suspect here Monday night

A Dallas murder suspect was apprehended west of Clarendon by the Donley County and Hall County sheriffs' departments Monday evening.

Jeremiah Earl Morrow, a 27-year-old black male, was wanted out of Dallas County for allegedly shooting four people Monday afternoon, killing one of them, and also shooting up a carwash in that community.

Donley County Sheriff Butch Blackburn said his office received a "be on the lookout" alert after a Hall County deputy tailed Morrow into Donley County.

The Hall County deputy followed the suspect, who was driving a burgundy Chevrolet Lumina, until Blackburn could catch up to them and back him up about about eight miles west of Clarendon on US 287.

Blackburn then pulled Morrow over, detained him, and placed him under arrest.

Donley County Deputy Sonny Morasco and law enforcement units from the Department of Public Safety and a Texas Game Warden also converged on the scene.

Morrow was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Sarah Hatley on a Dallas County charge of First Degree Murder, and bond was set at \$2 million.

Morrow remained in the Donley County Jail at press time Tuesday afternoon, awaiting transfer back to Dallas.

For more about the crime for which Morrow was arrested, including an eyewitness account, check out Fox 4 Dallas-Fort Worth's coverage here: <https://bit.ly/3t2QCTo>.

New pastor for Hedley First Baptist Church

The First Baptist Church of Hedley has called Braden Montgomery as their new pastor.

Montgomery's first Sunday will be October 1. He grew up in the Panhandle of Texas, going to school in Hedley and graduating from White Deer High School. He has college experience from Wayland Baptist University and has eight years of ministry experience as a youth and music minister. This will be his first pastorate.

Montgomery and his wife, Lauren, have a five-month-old son named Micah. The church is excited about its future and welcomes Braden, Lauren, and Micah with open arms.



Braden Montgomery and family

Survey seeks input for area passenger railroad service

Texas Panhandle residents interested in seeing passenger rail service return to the area can make their voices heard with a new Amtrak service study.

The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) is conducting an Amtrak Daily Long-Distance Service Study to evaluate the restoration of daily long-distance intercity rail passenger service and the potential for new Amtrak long-distance routes. This study will ultimately create a long-term vision for long-distance passenger rail service and identify capital projects and funding needed to implement that vision.

To add a comment to the

study, residents can follow this link and mention their support for adding Amtrak service to Amarillo, Texas: <https://bit.ly/4677Eyz>.

Supporters of passenger rail service say that it boosts economic development and that it connects rural communities to the nation by providing greater travel opportunities.

According to the FRA website, the Amtrak Daily Long-Distance Service Study will: Evaluate options for restoring or enhancing to daily basis intercity passenger rail service along routes; Select preferred options for restoring or enhancing service; Develop a prioritized inventory of

capital projects and other actions required to restore or enhance the service, including cost estimates for those projects and actions; Develop recommendations for methods by which Amtrak could work with local communities and organizations to develop activities and programs to continuously improve public use of intercity passenger rail service along each route; and Identify Federal and non-Federal funding sources required to restore or enhance the service.

Passenger train service here between Dallas and Denver ended in 1967, according to The Donley County Leader.



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Press trials arose before the republic

On Aug. 11 police in Marion, Kansas, raided the office of The Marion County Record as well as the homes of the paper's publisher and a city counselor member. Police confiscated computers, cell phones and files from the small-town newspaper. The police chief, Gideon Cody, cited an illegal records search of a local business owner by reporter Deb Gruver as grounds for the search. However, the publisher of the Record believes the search was in retaliation of an investigation into Chief Cody earlier in the year as well as investigations into actions of the mayor.



historically speaking by dr. james finck

While newspapers and First Amendment organizations have condemned the raid, historically speaking, this is not the first time a paper has come under scrutiny for printing a story. As far back as John Adams' Alien and Sedition Acts to the Pentagon Papers to as recently as Donald Trump's claim of "fake news" there has been some assemblance of conflict over what can and should be published. In fact, for the case most cited for establishing freedom of the press in America we must go back to colonial New York when any negative claims against a representative of the crown could be considered libel.

In 1735, newspaper publisher John Peter Zenger stood trial for libel. The case revolved around the 1732 appointment of Brigadier-General William Cosby as governor of New York. Cosby's predecessor had died and because it would take time for Cosby to reach New York, an interim governor was appointed in his stead. When Cosby finally arrived, he was not happy with the salary he received from the New York Legislature and tried to force the interim governor to turn over half of the money he earned because after all he was just really doing Cosby's job. When the interim refused, Cosby took him to court. This was just the first of many tyrannical acts Cosby committed while in office that caught the attention of the press.

(As a side note, all colonial legislators paid the salaries to royal governors, giving the legislators a good deal of power. One of the main reasons for the American Revolution was when taxes like the Stamp Act were paid directly to Parliament instead of colonial legislators, Parliament began paying for British officials. No taxation without representation was never about paying too high taxes, it was about who was collecting the taxes and paying salaries because colonists were losing the power.)

When the case came before the New York Courts, New York Chief Justice Lewis Morris dismissed it outright leading to Morris' dismissal by Cosby. The firing caught the attention of Zenger, who founded The New York Weekly Journal in 1733 and began running stories critical of the new governor. Those articles ranged from accusations of corruption to basically calling him a moron. Zenger, now funded by a group of Morris' supporters, did not write the stories, but he published them. When questioned, he refused reveal the true authors who wrote under pennames. After Zenger continued publishing the critical stories, Cosby condemned the paper and had Zenger arrested for seditious libel.

To make matters worse, Zenger's lawyer, James Alexander, who was secured the Morris political faction, was suddenly disbarred by Cosby. Fortunately, after almost a year in prison, while Zenger's wife continued to print the paper, Zenger's camp was able to recruit the services of Philadelphia's most famous lawyer, Andrew Hamilton. Even with Hamilton, (no relation to Alexander Hamilton) it would be an uphill battle for the defense. The prosecution only had to prove was that Zenger published the libelous paper. English Common Law at the time said seditious libel was anything meant to defame whether it was truthful or not. The fact that Zenger admitted to publishing the paper should have been enough to convict. However, Hamilton was a brilliant orator and spoke directly to the jury. Hamilton claimed the trial was not about Zenger, but about liberty and truth. He asked the jury to strike down the law. While the judge in the case even went so far as to order the jury to convict Zenger, it only took 10 minutes to return with a verdict of not guilty.

While this did not set legal precedent for America, it did start a practice that would be confirmed later in People v. Croswell (N.Y. 1804). That case found that the truth cannot be considered libel even if it is damaging. The framers knew this was important when they wrote the First Amendment. The only way to keep the nation free is to have freedom of the press.

As for the Marion, Kansas, case, the court has ruled that the police must return everything confiscated from the newspaper, and reporter Deb Gruver has filed a lawsuit claiming her Constitutional rights were violated. While this case and others probably coming are pending, it's clear that popular opinion has rendered a verdict condemning the actions of the police and continue to support freedom of the press.

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Texas Czechs do not give up easily

The Czechs knew good land when they saw it. Two of the Czech pioneers, Ignatz Gallia and Frank Russek, not only knew good land, they also envisioned the potential of developing and selling land in Texas. Going into partnership with one another in 1889, Gallia and Russek purchased 25,000 acres of land in Wharton County. They paid \$2.65 1/2 per acre, and they sold farm plots first for \$3.00 an acre, then for \$4.00, then for \$5.00. John Melchar and Christian Bruno were the first two purchasers.

Things were going well, but soon after initiating the project, heavy and continued rains came and flooded the lands. There was no place for the water

to go. Many of the new land owners became discouraged and left. The cessation of sales left Gallia and Russek unable to continue payments for the land they had bought. Appeals for help were refused because bankers and other financiers could not see the possibilities for successful development of the flooded lands. Gallia and Russek reorganized their enterprise and made further appeals for money for building roads



vignettes tales of the old west by george u. hubbard

and putting in drainage, but to no avail. No one believed that the land could be used for agricultural purposes. According to Gallia, "The bankers just laughed at us."

We don't know how they did it, but Gallia and Russek clung to their dream. They persisted, and in the end they succeeded in developing and selling their farmland.

Today, the city of El Campo, a major city in Wharton County, stands as a witness to the faith and vision of Gallia and Russek. El Campo is situated on the land that Gallia and Russek developed.

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



Coming on down from the cross

Randy Brooks, who portrayed Jesus in "The Promise" more than 6,000 times, is nearing the 60-year mark in Christian ministry. But, he still has "the look" – the kind that causes head-scratching when vaguely familiar faces are seen.

Randy was cast in the role in 1989, when the award-winning musical began its 34-year run at Glen Rose's Texas Amphitheater. He later appeared for years in Branson, MO, at a New York City church and numerous performances internationally before he ended the role when COVID arrived in 2020.

Long-haired since the mid-1970s, he now is free to leave his gray hair natural, unlike most performance years when it was dyed to hide premature graying. Had one of the founding producers of the Glen Rose production not spotted Randy in a hair salon in 1989, he might never have been featured in "The Promise."...

"Can you sing?" she asked. Having been a pianist/vocalist since junior high, he quickly answered, not knowing that the producer was looking for a blue-eyed, long-haired man to play Jesus.

Then age 36, Randy – his commitment to God already strongly in place – signed on, the course of his life to be forever changed.

He sang Word-produced songs such as "Closer than a Heartbeat," "It is Written" and "Shalom." Randy says he writhed and winced with imaginary pain on the cross, but never came close to portraying Jesus' actual suffering. He remembers the challenge of holding onto nails, and contorting his body to a 45-degree angle. (On the cross for 20 minutes at each performance, his total time there amounted to 83 24-hour

days.)....

Producers were never worried about his lacking both theological and theatrical training or changing his mannerisms. He sounded "way too southern," however, so he underwent speech training to sound less so!

Throughout his career, Randy has been closely identified with gospel music, but he and his brother Bill also performed throughout the nation for corporate groups, including Amway and American Airlines. Randy also hooked up with the Stamps Quartet, which provided vocal back-up for Elvis Presley.

He also was music director on 58 episodes of TV's "Country Crossroads," and – with the Brooks Brothers Band – was named "Entertainer of the Year" in Texas for six consecutive years by the Johnnie High Country Music Revue Association, and twice honored in Branson as the "Male Entertainer of the Year."...

In 2020, Randy returned to Texas, where he continues to perform, largely at churches, retirement centers and at various other venues.

"My body told me it was time to slow down, so I have," Randy said. He feels that he has kept numerous providential appointments in his life, including a recent visit to Shipshewana, IN, where his brother Bill is emcee in the tiny Amish/Mennonite community's two theaters.

With three shows left to perform, Randy was helping Bill move



the idle american by don newbury

household furniture. A large mirror slipped, seriously cutting Randy's right hand between his wrist and thumb. Fifteen stitches were needed to close the wound, but let's not race ahead....

The nearest hospital was 12 miles away, so Bill took Randy to his doctor's office. Blood gushing, Randy learned that it was the doctor's day off.

Coming through the back door, however, was the doctor, who lives 20 miles away in Goshen.

"I had this strong feeling that I should come to the office," he said. Providence again, right?...

Realizing that Randy had sustained a serious injury, the doctor initially suggested calling an ambulance to take him to a hospital.

Then, he remembered treating numerous victims of roadway accidents during his Indianapolis internship.

He expertly completed the treatment. Randy, claimed to be "good as new," performed the same evening and at the two closing shows the next day....

"I don't solicit engagements, but enough still come to me," particularly with Shiloh Road, a southern gospel quartet in the Metroplex. "I'll serve the Lord until I can't."

Ever the "people person," he now drives for UberEats between gigs. He hears numerous comments about his "Jesus look," and smiles.

"God is good, now and forever," he said. "With Him, I'm ready for whatever comes next."

Amen.... Dr. Newbury, longtime university president, remains active as a columnist, author and speaker. Contact: 817-447-3872. Email: newbury@speakerdoc.com.

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Obituaries

Martin

Dorothy Joy Martin, of Midland, born in Donley County, on October 10, 1928, left this world to be with the Lord on September 13, 2023.



Martin

Dorothy was predeceased by her husband, Ford Martin, her son Mitchell Martin, her grandson Justin Martin, and her sister Jessie Lee Holcomb.

Dorothy leaves behind her son Ricky of Midland, her son Randy of Abilene, sister Carolyn Taylor of Memphis, and brother Jerry Don White of Peoria, Arizona. She also leaves behind numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, great-great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews, many friends and

friends of loved ones that she cared for throughout the years. Dorothy grew up in Lelia Lake. She graduated from Clarendon High School and went to every reunion until she could no longer make the drive from Midland. Dorothy and her husband were residents of Clarendon, along with other members of the Martin family who are laid to rest in the Citizens' Cemetery of Clarendon.

She worked at the telephone company during World War II along with her husband's sister Merle Martin who introduced Dorothy to her husband Ford Martin. After leaving Borger, Texas, where she and her family resided for many years, her husband's work took them to Midland where Dorothy worked for several years at the Odessa Country Club. She even created a Breakfast Mini Muffin Recipe which they still use to this day on their buffet. She then went to work in the safety deposit room at a local bank in Midland which became Chase Bank, and she retired after 25 years of service. She saw the company through many name changes

and stayed a dedicated employee throughout all of those transitions. After that, Dorothy went to work for the Yellow Rose Retirement Home. She spent the next 15 years as a cook for the home, taking care of the individual nutritional needs of 8 residents at a time. She worked until they closed their doors. She was 89 years old at that time. She continued cooking for her residents and taking meals to them in their new nursing homes until the last one passed away.

Dorothy dedicated her life to other people, spreading so much joy with her cooking, loving those around her, and giving of herself always. She was so very deeply loved and will be incredibly missed.

She walked this earth as one of God's angels.

The Family will have a Potluck Dinner and Celebration of Life in Honor of Dorothy at Beall Park Clubhouse 5200 West Wall Street in Midland, Texas, 79703 on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, (her 95th birthday) from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Please bring your favorite dish and join the family.

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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!

Level: Intermediate

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ANSWER:



Local ranch horses George and Mongo represented Donley County at the Tri-State VRH/RHAA Horse Show last week with their riders Karli Jones and MaryJo Dushay.

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Quilt club works on honor project

The Golden Needles Quilting Club met last week to work on the group's honor quilt.

Red, white, and blue are, of course, the primary colors with a large flag in the middle. This quilt and one other will be given away for Veterans Day at the Donley County Senior Citizens Center on November 9.

Those attending the meeting were Dortha Reynolds, Janan Koontz, Gay Cole, Tiny Alderson, Louella Slater, Frances Smith, and Allene Leathers.



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 PAW Patrol: The Mighty Movie • 2:00 p.m. • Mulkey Theater

October 6
 Broncos v Wheeler • 7:00 p.m. • Home

October 6
 Owls v Booker • 7:30 p.m. • Away

October 7
 Second annual Hot Rods to Harleys Fun Run • 10:00 a.m. • ClarendonTX.com for detail

October 13-14
 Hedley Cotton Festival

Menus

October 2 - 6

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Sliced ham, black eyed peas, buttered carrots, whole wheat roll, black forest parfait, iced tea/2% milk.
 Tues: Lasagna, sweet potato, garden salad, garlic bread stick, chocolate pudding, iced tea/2% milk.
 Wed: Oven fried chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, cornbread, cherry/pineapple crisp, iced tea/2% milk.
 Thurs: Mushroom steak, baked potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, chocolate cake, iced tea/2% milk.
 Fri: Cheeseburger, potato wedges, melon, sugar cookies, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Baked lemon chicken, herbed buttered noodles, roasted butternut squash, pumpkin crumble, whole wheat biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.
 Tue: Cranberry glazed pork roast, broccoli, cheese, & rice bake, apple cranberry crisp, whole wheat buttermilk biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.
 Wed: Chicken fried steak w/ country gravy, homemade mashed potatoes, country green beans with bacon & onions, chocolate chip oatmeal cookie, whole wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.
 Thurs: Meatloaf wrapped in bacon, baked beans, California blend vegetables, apricot crumble, whole wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.
 Fri: Breaded pork sandwich, lettuce, tomato, onion slices, crispy tater tots, coleslaw, snickerdoodles, iced tea/2% milk.

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Breakfast
 Mon: Breakfast sandwich, fruit juice, fruit, milk
 Tues: Breakfast burrito, hashbrowns, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
 Wed: Cereal, toast, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
 Thu: Stuffed bagel, Cheese stick, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
 Fri: Donut, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
 Mon: Cheeseburger, garden salad, sweet potatoes, fruit, milk.
 Tues: Sloppy Joe, beans, veggie cup, dessert, fruit, milk.
 Wed: Texas basket, green beans, corn, fruit, milk.
 Thu: Boneless chicken wings, chips, celery, carrots, sherbet, fruit, milk.
 Fri: Pizza, broccoli, tomatoes, fruit, milk.

Hedley ISD

Breakfast
 Mon: Pancakes, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk
 Tues: Croissant ham & cheese sandwich, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
 Wed: Waffles, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.
 Thu: Big bites, fruit juice, fruit, milk
 Fri: Donut holes, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch
 Mon: Breaded drumstick, biscuit, garden salad, tomatoes, apples, milk.
 Tues: Frito pies, beans, veggie cup, pineapple, cookie, milk.
 Wed: Cheesy breadsticks, broccoli, marinara sauce, cinnamon applesauce, milk.
 Thu: Boneless chicken wings, chips, celery, carrots, mixed fruit, sherbet, milk.
 Fri: Steak fingers, gravy, roll, corn, peaches, milk.

Poll: Texans support increased teacher pay, oppose vouchers

Texans want lawmakers to prioritize teacher salaries and funding for public schools, according to a new poll by the Texas Association of School Boards (TASB), which also shows declining support for voucher programs that would shift taxpayer dollars into private schools.

When asked about the importance of key public education issues, the top two priorities were increasing teacher salaries, with 73 percent of Texans considering it extremely or very important, and additional funding for public schools, with 68 percent of respondents prioritizing it.

"Texans have spoken loud and clear," said TASB Executive Director Dan Troxell. "They value public education and want lawmakers to prioritize our teachers and students by investing in salaries and allocating more money for school budgets."

The poll, conducted by Perception Insight, a Texas-based opinion research firm, also reveals a downward trend in support for voucher programs.

When asked about using public tax dollars to pay for private or religious schools, only 32 percent of respondents said that vouchers are important – the lowest ranking issue in the poll.

When specifically asked about

their stance on vouchers, only 39 percent favored vouchers, marking a significant eight-point decrease since February 2023, when TASB conducted a similar poll during the regular legislative session.

This increase in opposition against vouchers not only extends across party lines but also among a majority of white, Hispanic, and Black respondents in both urban and rural communities.

"The more Texans learn about vouchers, the less likely they are to support them," Troxell said. "If an upcoming special session is announced, lawmakers should focus on what the voters care about, not private school subsidies that would weaken our public schools."

The poll of 800 registered voters was conducted on behalf of TASB in June. Among those responding, 48 percent reported voting for Republicans most often, 35 percent indicated a preference for Democrats, and the remaining 17 percent said they vote independent of party.

"This poll is one of the most comprehensive looks at voter sentiment on vouchers that has been done this year," said Marc DeSignore, president and owner of Perception Insight. "The broad representation of voters across all backgrounds and partisanship

underscores the key finding that support for vouchers is decreasing among key voter subgroups when compared to other education issues like teacher salaries and funding."

When asked about the importance of education issues, poll respondents rated the following as extremely or very important: Increasing teacher salaries (73 percent); Additional funding for public schools (68 percent); Reducing local property taxes (54 percent); and Public tax dollars to be used to pay for private or religious schools (32 percent).

Other major poll findings include: The Texans who ranked increased teacher salaries as the most important issue affecting public education included Republican voters (64 percent), Democratic voters (88 percent), and independent voters (70 percent); Among those polled, 76 percent of urban respondents and 69 percent of rural respondents said increasing teacher salaries was the most important; and More than half of all voters (56 percent) said they are aware of the Legislature's recent efforts to create a voucher program. Of those, 50 percent said what they have seen, read, or heard about vouchers has made them less likely to support the program. Only 34 percent said they are more likely to support vouchers.



Hedley kids go to Amarillo

Hedley's pre-Kindergarten class and first grade attended a WOWW program "Dinosaurs in the Garden" at the Botanical Garden in Amarillo last week.

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Junior cooks

Youth were paired up with seasoned chuckwagon crews for the Junior Cookoff as part of the 28th annual Col. Charles Goodnight Chuckwagon Cookoff last week.

COURTESY PHOTO



Pee Wee Results

Clarendon's Pee Wee football teams played Childress on Saturday, September 23. The 3-4 grade team lost by two points with the final score of 16-14. Zi Mathews was running with the ball while AJ Moore was blocking a player to help the Clarendon team score a point. The 5-6 grade boys won the game 23-0.

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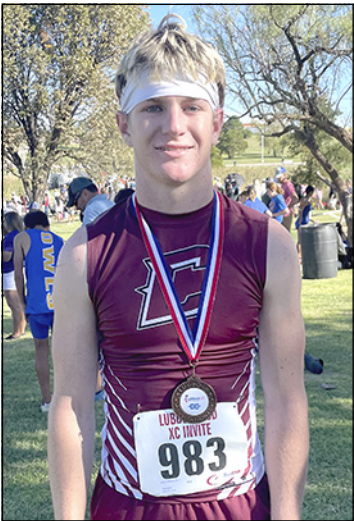
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Lady Broncos XC team placed 4th in Lubbock on Saturday. Madi placed 2nd and Tandie Cummins placed 12th.

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Bryce Williams ran a personal best at Mae Simmons Park last week.

COURTESY PHOTOS / KOREY CONKIN

Benson runs third in Lubbock XC Meet

By Sandy Anderberg

Clarendon High School sophomore Madi Benson ran a great cross country race in Lubbock at Mae Simmons Park last weekend.

Benson's time of 13:05.1 for the two-mile course put her just under 20 seconds behind the first-place finisher. According to coach Korey Conkin, Benson led the field for the first mile and a half of the race. She and fellow athlete Tandie Cummins both received a medal for their efforts in leading the Lady Bronco team to a fourth-place finish in the meet. Cummins ran 12th with a finishing time of 13:41.9.

Gracie Ellis ran 34th in the field of 141 competitors with a time

of 14:19.7, and Berkley Moore ran 36th at 14:32.3. Presley Smith was 53rd with a 15:00.8, Kenidee Hayes was 58th at 15:10.9, and Kennadie Cummins ran the course in a time of 16:08.7 finishing in 93rd place.

Bronco junior Bryce Williams had a great race as well and ran a personal best on the Lubbock course with a time of 18:42.2 for 13th place and a medal. Williams was two minutes off the first-place pace in a field of 127 runners. Tanner Cavanaugh also ran and ended the race with a time of 25:33.9.

The Broncos, Lady Broncos, and junior high Lady Colts will participate in the Greenbelt Gallop on October 3 at Greenbelt Lake.



Junior Owls fall

Tavi Edwards run the ball for the Owls. Hedley Junior High lost 6-13 last week against Paducah.

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Injuries snare Owls

Nic Clark gains yards for the Owls last week. The varsity Owls were forced to forfeit last week after two players were injured.

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Hedley ISD eighth graders attended the FFA Greenhand Camp in Matador recently.

COURTESY PHOTO / HSD

Hedley Owls Spotlight

By Javier Valles, Taylee Ehlert and Ray Curry

Last week, Hedley ISD eighth graders attended the FFA Greenhand Camp in Matador, Texas. High School AG classes are creating a deer blind for a person within the community.

The Owls football teams went against the Paducah Dragons last Friday. The high school team had to forfeit their game due to injured players. Hedley's junior high team fought through their game ending with a score of 6-14 with the Paducah Lizards winning.

The junior high team will play in Miami this week on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. This week is the high school team's open week giving them the time to prepare for the upcoming and final pre-district game against the Booker Kiowas.

The Hedley Cheerleading squad is selling Pink Out t-shirts for cancer awareness month. Last Friday, Hedley also finished their first six weeks of school with the Methodist Church providing snow cones.

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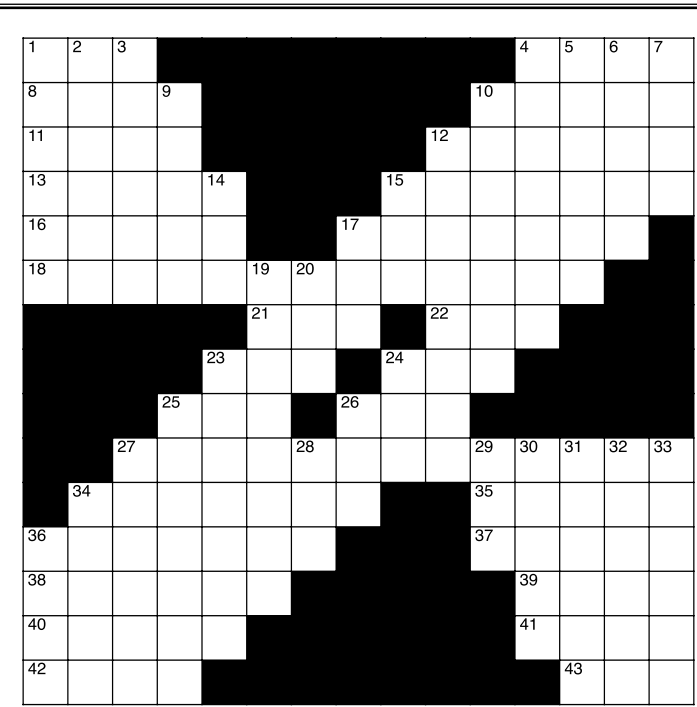
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Bronco Harrison Howard runs the ball into the endzone last week against the Hornets. ENTERPRISE PHOTO



Sparky and the CHS Cheerleaders cheer the Broncos to victory last week against Tulia.

Broncos make quick work of the Hornets

By Sandy Anderberg

The Bronco football team did everything right last Friday night in Tulia and defeated the Hornets 44-21.

Senior running back Lyric Smith finished with 166 total yards and found the endzone twice for the Broncos. Smith had two catches from quarterback Harrison Howard for 52 yards and carried the ball 14 times for 99 yards rushing.

The Broncos scored first in with just under 10:00 left in the opening quarter and again before the Hornets put seven points on the board. Tulia would find the endzone two more times to take a 12-21 lead in the second quarter. The next four scores belonged to the Broncos as they were able to score at will in the second half as the Broncos line did their job to open the field for the runners and receivers.

Howard put up another set of good stats in his time at the QB position finishing the game with 247 total yards and was 10 of 14 passing with one interception. His longest strike was to Colton Caudle for 53 yards. Caudle had a stellar night on the field with two receiving touchdowns. Mason Sims had four catches for 41 yards, and Easton Frausto grabbed a 48-yard pass for six. Shane Hagood ran the ball 11 times from the backfield for 62 yards. His longest was a 17-yard run.

Smith took a turn under center and had one completion for 15 yards. Kyler Bell also took a turn at the QB spot.

No defensive stats were available at press time.

The Broncos will have a week to rest up before they begin their six-team district schedule on October 6 at home against the Wheeler Mustangs beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Junior High Colts fall to Tulia on the road

The junior high Colts traveled to Tulia last Thursday night to take on the Tulia Hornets. Despite playing hard, the Colts fell short 0-27.

The Hornets were able to break through the Colts' defensive line to capitalized on openings for big plays. According to coach Jordan Enriquez, the Colts had trouble finding what worked.

"We could not get anything going offensively," he said. "On the defensive side, we struggled to get stops."

The Colts will have another chance this Thursday, September 28 on their home field as they take on Bushland at 4:00 p.m. They will be looking to bounce back from their loss to Tulia and bring things together for a win.



Bronco Ranger Drenth goes for the sack on the Hornets Quarterback. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK



Bronco Jared Musick tackles the quarterback last week in Tulia. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK

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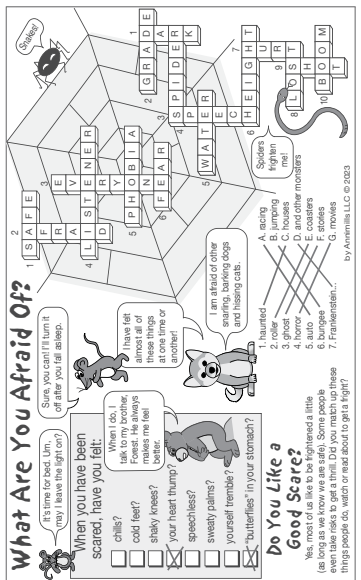
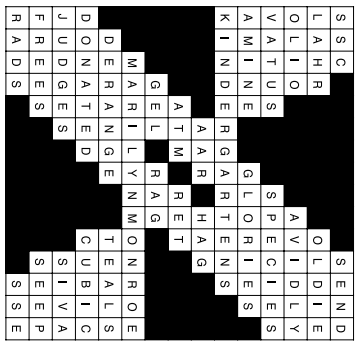
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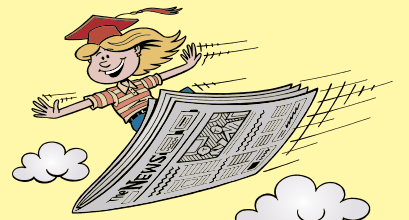
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Ugh...a snake!

Everyone is a little afraid of something...spiders, the dark, the unknown! It's okay to be afraid sometimes. In fact, it's smart to be a *little* afraid when facing a dangerous situation or a problem that you need help solving. A burning smell, a lost pet, strange sounds in the dark: all would cause anyone's heart to beat a little faster.

Once in a while someone might *learn* to be afraid of something. If you had a bad reaction to a bee sting, it would make sense and be smart to be afraid of going near a flowering bush full of bees.

Some people are so afraid of something that they cannot live normal lives. This much fear is a major problem. Strong fears are called "phobias." Have you ever heard of "**claustrophobia**?" It is the fear of being in tight or closed places.

If you are afraid of something, then you should find a good listener - parent, teacher, doctor - and talk to him or her about your feelings. If they have had a similar fear, they can tell you how they were able to deal with it. Or they may explain why something happens - like thunder and lightning - and take the scary edges off your fear.

Read the clues to fill in the crossword at the top of the page. Use the words around the frame.

1. know your limits when swimming, climbing or doing other activities so you stay _____
2. to be scared
3. _____ gets frightened at some time
4. person who will hear/help with your problem
5. strong fear that gets in the way of normal life
6. worry or feel that something bad may happen

Look inside the spider's web to find words to fill in the puzzle.

Are you afraid of ...

1. sleeping in the _____ without a light?
2. getting a poor test _____?
3. giving a _____ in front of your class?
4. a _____ spinning a web?
5. strong _____ currents or blazing fires?
6. the _____ of a bridge you're crossing?
7. getting _____ while playing sports?
8. becoming _____ in a crowded place?
9. getting a flu _____ at the doctors office?
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The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting at the Masonic Lodge September 26, 2023, with Boss Lion David Dockery in charge.

We had 11 members in person, one attending virtually, and two guests this week. Our guests were Delaney Chambless and her mom, Trisha Chambless.

Delaney is five years old and is in the Our Diamond Miss competition with competitions coming up next year. As part of her community service, Delaney collected about 130 pairs of used eyeglasses and presented them to the Boss Lion. The glasses will be taken to the Texas Lions Eyeglass Recycling Center in Midland for processing and distribution to those less fortunate. Thank you, Delaney!

Our incoming city administrator, Brian Barboza, will be the invited guest next week, and our sweetheart candidates will be invited the following week.

The club discussed the need for volunteers to help the city and county complete a survey of local households. The Kinetic Hot Rods to Harleys Fun run will be presented by the Chamber of Commerce on October 7. The event raises money for Christ's Kids and for the Lions' Toys for Joy project. Registration is available at ClarendonTx.com/funrun.

The Pancake Supper will be held October 27 and tickets will be available next week.

Lion Larry Capranica said the Donley County Ministerial Alliance is starting a "Loaves and Fishes" food pantry. Those wishing to donate food or money should contact Allen Posey at the Church of the Nazarene.

There being no further business, we were dismissed.



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