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THIS WEEK

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5 A Clarendon College alumnus is heading back to the NFR in Las Vegas.
6 The Lady Broncos beat the girls from Texline.
8 And Santa Claus shows up a the Courthouse Lighting Ceremony!

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

Clarendon man dies in vehicle accident

A Clarendon man died November 15 in a single vehicle accident east of Goodnight, according to the Department of Public Safety.

Samuel Kinley Shoels, 77, was pronounced dead at the scene following injuries he sustained.

Shoels was driving a Buick LeSabre northbound on US 287 at 10:14 p.m. on November 14 when it traveled off the roadway and through the bar ditch about 2.6 miles east of Goodnight. The car went into a side skid as it reached the pavement in the northbound rest area and collided with a tree before coming to final rest.

Ella Bryley, age 61, also of Clarendon, was a passenger in the car and was transported to North-west Texas Hospital in Amarillo by Associated Ambulance Authority for treatment.

Mulkey plans third mystery dinner

The Mulkey Theatre will host its third mystery dinner on Thursday, December 7, with "A Dickens of a Christmas" presenting a holiday whodunit.

Whose body has been found on Miss Havisham's property? Is it her fiancé that left her at the altar 25 years ago? Become a part of Charles Dickens's classic stories to solve this mystery.

Those attending are encouraged to come dressed in costume, such as tacky Christmas attire, a Charles Dickens character, or an ugly Christmas sweater.

Advance tickets are required and can be purchased at Mulkey-Theatre.com and in person at the Clarendon Visitor Center. Tickets are \$45 per person and include dinner by REFZ Sports Bar & Grill. BYOB is permitted.

CHS to stage play

Clarendon High School thespians will be performing "The Mystery of the Dinner Theatre Murder," a comedy by Gus David Sanchez, on December 3 and 10, at the CHS Auditorium.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m., and the play will start at 7 p.m. Admission is free. Students will be selling baked goods for cash sales only.

Lions hold toy drive

The Clarendon Lions Club will wrap up its second annual "Toys for Joy" drive this Friday, December 1.

The club will be donating one toy to every elementary school aged student in both Clarendon and Hedley elementary schools. The club is needing more toys to make this great project happen.

Toy collection boxes are set up at the Clarendon Visitor Center, Cornell's Country Store, and Lowe's Family Center.

If you'd like to make a monetary donation, call Lion Roger Estlack at 806-662-4689.

Regional Champions Broncos to play Sunray this Friday



The Clarendon Broncos secured the Regional title last Friday with a 34-32 win over Gruver in Borger. The Broncos will face Sunray at Happy State Bank Stadium in Canyon this Friday at 7 p.m. for the State Quarter Final title. See our coverage on page six and follow live updates Friday at Facebook.com/TheEnterprise.

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Clarendon, Hedley ISDs get top FIRST scores

The Clarendon and Hedley school districts have been recognized by the Texas Education Agency for their sound fiscal management during the 2022-2023 year with each school system earning an 'A' rating.

TEA announced this month that 88 percent of Texas public schools received the 'A' or Superior Achievement score from the state's Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST).

Clarendon CISD Superintendent Jarod Bellar said the state looks at several criteria to score schools on financial accountability.

"They look at about 20 indicators, and they add more each time," Bellar said. "There are things that if you don't meet them, it can knock you down big time."

Clarendon and Hedley both scored the highest rating of 100 on the FIRST.

"I attribute this success to our office staff and the excellent work they do," Bellar said. "This isn't based on the STARR or student achievements; it's a look at finances and fund balances and things like that."

Hedley CISD Superintendent Tracey Bell also credited her school's business office for being "fantastic" and also credited the Hedley school board.

"The board does a good job of administering our finances and being fiscally responsible," Bell said.

Both Clarendon and Hedley have received top FIRST scores from the state for several years, and both will be having public meetings in December to discuss their FIRST ratings.

CCISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. December 11, in the Administration & Technology Building located at 416 South Allen Street. HCISD will hold its public meeting December 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room at 301 Jones Street.

Established in 2001 by the 77th Texas Legislature, FIRST encourages school systems to improve financial resources to provide the maximum allocation possible for direct instructional purposes. Ratings for 2022-2023 are based on annual financial reports provided to TEA by

school systems for the 2022 fiscal year. These reports are subsequently reviewed by the agency and a rating is assigned.

School systems are assigned one of four possible letter grades (A, B, C, or F) under financial accountability ratings, as well as a coinciding financial management rating (Superior Achievement, Above Standard Achievement, Meets Standard Achievement, or Substandard Achievement).

FIRST ratings are calculated using 20 financial indicators for both traditional school districts and public charter schools, such as administrative cost expenditures; the accuracy of a district or charter school's financial information submitted to TEA; and any financial vulnerabilities or material weaknesses in internal controls as determined by an external auditor.

To review the final 2022-2023 FIRST ratings for all school systems plus view final FIRST ratings from previous years, visit the TEA School FIRST web page for school districts or Charter FIRST web page for charter schools.

Chamber holiday drawing this Friday

One lucky shopper will win \$100 in Christmas Cash this Friday when the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce holds the first drawing as part of its second annual "Shop Small Big Christmas" promotion.

Sign-ups at participating merchants began last Friday and will continue through December 21. The Chamber will give away a total of \$550 this season with \$100 drawings on December 1, 8, and 15; and a big \$250 giveaway on December 22.

As of Tuesday, participating merchants included Amanda's Country Soaps, Brake Time, Broken Road Liquor, Cornell's Country Store, Country Bloomer's Flowers & Gifts, Courtney D'Costa - Scentsy Consultant, Every Nook & Cranny, Henson's, J&W Lumber, Lashes by Holly, Lowe's Family Center, Mulkey Theatre, Mike's Pharmacy, Monroe's Peach Ranch, Rambling Ranch Boutique, REFZ Sports Bar & Grill, Saye's Flying A Tack, Whistle-Stop, and Wicked Fast Attire.

Additional Chamber members who wish to participate can call Chamber President Ashlee Estlack at 806-662-4687.

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

Several businesses are also planning to be open for Late Night Shopping on December 14 and 21 this year. Most of the participating businesses will be open until at least 7:30 p.m., including Every Nook & Cranny, Flotain' T, Henson's, Rambling Ranch, Saye's Flying A Tack, and Whistle Stop. Corrective Aesthetics will also be open late but only on December 21 until 7 p.m.

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

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

Visit the Chamber's Facebook page or ClarendonTX.com/Christmas for more information.

Blackburn, White first to file for 2024

Filing is open for Donley County candidates interested in running in party primaries ahead of next year's general election.

Local positions up for election next year are those currently held by District Judge Dale Rabe, District Attorney Luke Inman, County Attorney Landon Lambert, County Tax Assessor/Collector Kristy Christopher, County Sheriff Butch Blackburn, Precinct 3&4 Constable Randy Bond, Precinct 1 Commissioner Mark White, and Precinct 3 Commissioner Neil Koetting.

As of Monday, White and Blackburn had both signed up for re-election on the Republican ticket.

Republicans and Democrats wishing to run for these positions have until December 11 to file with the Donley County Clerk's Office located inside the Courthouse Annex.

Party precinct chair positions are also open, and more information about that can be obtained by contacting Republican Chair Bill Word or Democratic Chair Jean Taylor.



Donley County Christmas

Jay Teague's horse-drawn carriage provides rides and a touch of nostalgia during the annual Donley County Courthouse Lighting Ceremony last Saturday evening, November 25. A large crowd gathered at the Courthouse for the event, and several enjoyed touring around town thanks to Teague's carriage.

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The Loss of Innocence

There are certain days in our nation’s history that are simply more important than others. These days tend to be ones that have changed our nation for better or worse. These are turning point days and generation-defining dates.

For my generation, Gen X, that date is Sept. 11, 2001, as we were in high school or early 20s. It seems like everything in my memory is categorized as either pre or post 9/11. For my grandparents that day was Dec. 7, 1941; it was scarred into their memories and completely changed their lives forever. While my Baby Boomer parents have felt the effects of 9/11, the day from their youth that left a scar happened 60 years ago this month, for on that day the very popular President John Kennedy died, but even more importantly, so did our nation’s innocence.



historically speaking
by dr. james fink

On that tragic November day, Kennedy and his wife had been in Texas along with his V.P. Lyndon B. Johnson for a few days to kick off his southern campaign tour for reelection. Kennedy knew he had a fight in Texas as he had just recently proposed the Civil Rights Act. Kennedy had avoided getting too involved with Civil Rights earlier in his presidency because Southern Democrats had opposed it, and any support could break up the party. Yet after the 1963 March on Washington and the assassination of civil rights activist Medgar Evers, Kennedy knew it was time to take up the fight. His goal on this southern tour was to try to hold the party together while trying to get support for his bill. Yet while in Texas he spent most of his time talking about the economy and military preparedness, topics much more comfortable for his southern audience.

After speaking in Fort Worth, the presidential party flew to Dallas and rode in multiple convertibles on their way to The Trade Mart. As they drove through Dealey Plaza around 12:30 p.m., shots rang out as they passed the Texas School Book Depository. President Kennedy was hit.

Before Kennedy was pronounced dead at 1 p.m. at Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dallas police arrested Book Depository employee Lee Harvey Oswald. Our nation came to a halt as word spread over the airwaves.

After his death his wife would refer to Kennedy’s presidency as Camelot, capturing the feeling of most of the nation. His good looks and charisma added to his leadership and strength had captivated America. Even today he is still considered one of the most popular presidents ever. In fact, when I poll students, he usually makes the top ten. While the loss of such a popular president was tragic, what was even more tragic was America’s loss of innocence which opened the door to civic mistrust and a lack of faith in our country.

President Johnson, who was sworn in aboard Air Force One just two hours after Kennedy was killed, ordered an investigation into the assassinations of both Kennedy and Oswald. Oswald was shot and killed by Dallas night club owner Jack Ruby a week after being charged for the Kennedy assassination. The Warren Commission, headed by Chief Justice Earl Warren, included two senators, two representatives, a former Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, and the former U.S. High Commissioner for Germany. During the investigation the American public believed the government’s story of the lone shooter, but after the commission released its findings, that all changed. While the more than 800-page report initially calmed most people’s fears, it did not completely remove them. While most Americans believed Oswald was the shooter, it was becoming a common perception that he had not acted alone.

The big change began in 1966 with the release of three separate independent investigations. First was Mark Lane’s Rush to Judgment that questioned the accuracy of the Warren Commission. Next was an investigation by New Orleans District Attorney Jim Garrison who saw a conspiracy and coverup in the shooting (the Bases for Oliver Stone’s JFK). Finally, Life Magazine released the Zapruder film which was an amateur video which called into question if Oswald acted alone. Americans became so consumed with the new reports that 20 years later when Newsweek took a poll, 74% of Americans did not trust the Warren Commission.

Kennedy’s assassination was a game-changer in our nation’s history. For the first time the majority of our nation did not believe the government. Before this, for the most part, Americans believed the government was telling them the truth, or if not, it was for a good reason. Now America had lost its innocence. If the government had lied about this, what else were they lying about? Our nation entered one of its darkest hours as our own government became the bad guy. The assassination was just the beginning of a long dark road.

Shortly after, came Vietnam War protest in the streets and antigovernment sentiments. The Watergate scandal and the presidential resignation of Richard Nixon made Americans more suspicious and less confident of their government. Events like the Iran hostages made it seem like maybe we were losing the Cold War if we could not even get our hostages out of a far less powerful country like Iran.

Fortunately, the 1980s did relieve some of the stress and brought back some faith in America once more. The problem is we did not come all the way back. Since the 1960s and ‘70s patriotism and American faith have fluctuated. Personally, I do not believe we will ever be as confident in our government as we were pre-1963. That door is closed. As a historian, I wonder if maybe we should have never completely trusted the government; they have never been completely truthful. But as an American, I am disheartened, for I long for the days when we felt our government was always on our side and looking out for our best interests.

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No one was going to rob this bank

In 1907 a special kind of building was completed on Denver’s 17th Street between Champa and Stout Streets. It was the first reinforced concrete high rise building west of the Mississippi River. And it was built to be safe and permanent.

The builders were Charles Boettcher of the Colorado Portland Cement Company and Frederick Bonfils, the colorful publisher of the Denver Post. To Boettcher, the building would be a “poster building” intended to be a showplace leading to the sale of great amounts of cement. To Bonfils, it was another of his many ventures in exercising control over the business and politics of Denver.

Already well known for his flamboyant publicity stunts, Frederick Bonfils wanted to demonstrate the strength and permanence of the new building to prospective clients. To do this he and Boettcher loaded 65,000 pounds of “stuff” onto the first floor of the building and then stoked a fire of 1,800 degrees

in the basement below. After 75 minutes they extinguished the fire and demonstrated that no damage had been done. The building was strong, and it was safe.

With the lower part of the building designed to house a bank, a vault of unusual characteristics was built in the basement. The vault served as part of the foundation on which the upper portion of the building rested. The vault had a round door weighing 23 tons through which no robber was going to penetrate. Built by the Diebold Company with alternate layers of stainless steel and copper, the different melting points of the two metals made it impossible to penetrate with a torch. The walls, floor, and ceiling of the vault consisted of 30 feet of concrete poured over



vignettes
tales of the old west
by george u. hubbard

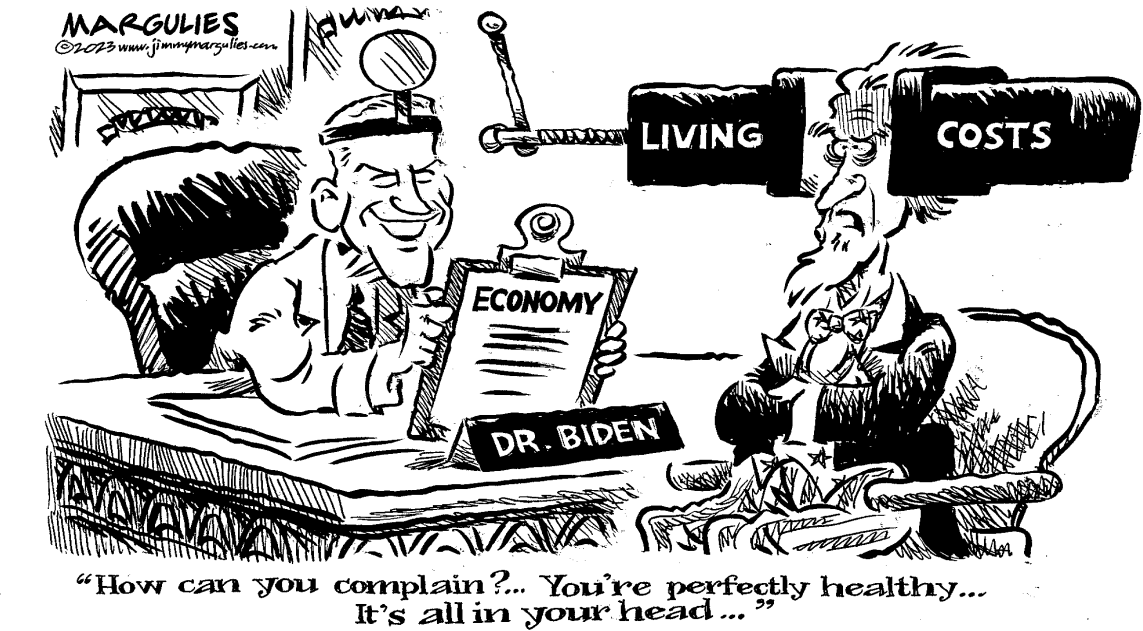
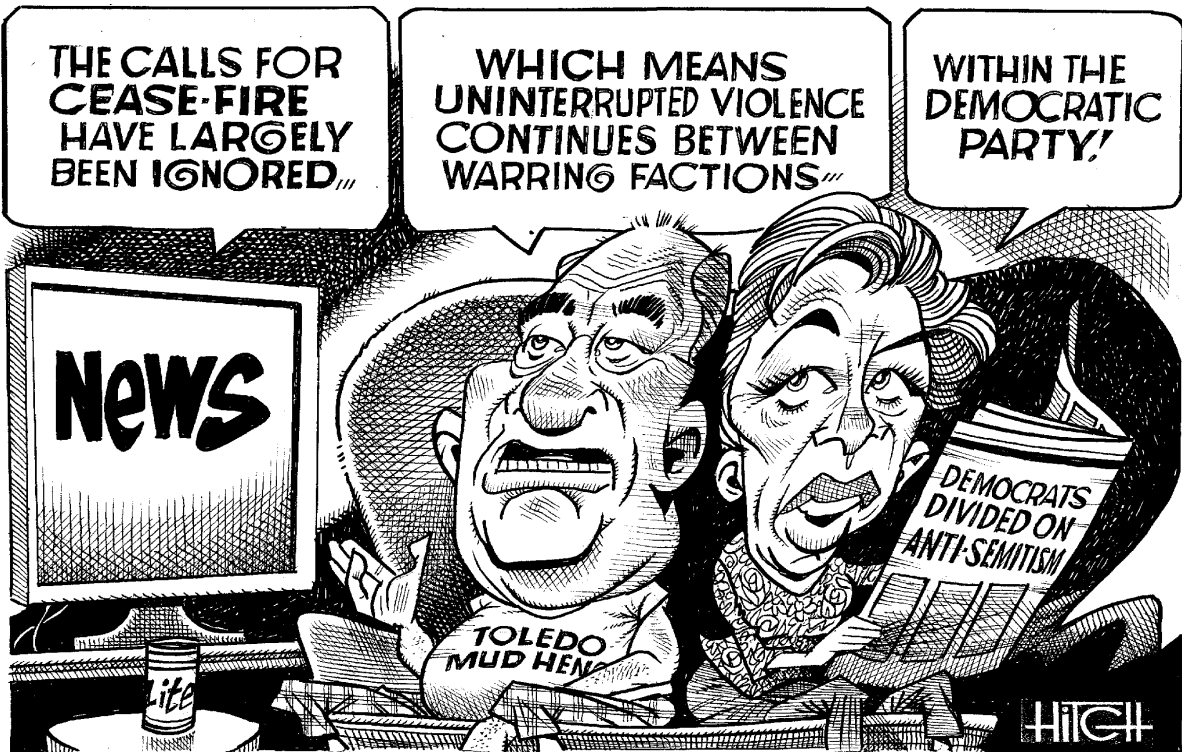
reinforcing steel rods.

Several banks occupied the building, the last of which was the Denver National Bank which bought the building in 1928. There was a lot of wealth in Denver in those years resulting from Colorado’s gold and silver mining operations, and the Denver National Bank had to offer the utmost in security for its depositors.

The basement of the building is now occupied by an upscale restaurant called “The Broker,” and the bank vault serves as one of the dining rooms. As an indication of the strength with which the vault was originally built, it took six weeks to cut a doorway from the vault to the kitchen.

Just as there has never been a successful escape from Stalag 13 on the TV series, “Hogan’s Heroes,” there was never a successful robbery of the Denver National Bank – not even an attempted one.

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



What’s with all these big payouts?

Irony’s definition has been stretched to the breaking point for me. Verily, Humpty-Dumpty’s nursery rhyme about his “wall fall” pales greatly when compared to the fall-out of a deposed football coach who had a “falling out” with his employer. The shocker, though, is that deposed Coach Jimbo Fisher will be paid some \$76 million to leave. Why, that’s nearly as much as Garth Brooks’ divorce.

Words from Texas A&M University principals have been measured and vague, mostly insisting that state money isn’t involved in the pay-off. They maintain that all will be well and that a new coach will be on board within days.

One of the world’s all-time great sportswriters, Dr. Blackie Sherrod, might have applied one of his famous quotes to describe the Texas A&M mess: “As pure as driven slush.”.....

The “win-at-all-cost” approach is rampant throughout our culture. However, the scales of justice were heavily weighted toward Fisher in his employment contract.

Texas A&M has its own law school, for crying out loud. Maybe consultation would have helped to avoid the embarrassment and record-smashing expense of this madness. After all, A&M bought an up-and-running law school from Texas Wesleyan University a few years ago at a cost of \$75 million, about the same as Fisher’s pay-off.

Though A&M wears the dunce cap for now, the Aggies didn’t invent our current culture. There are a couple of dozen schools nationally where football wags the dog and where TV money is at

the root of all substantive decisions. Money no longer talks; it screams. The current emphasis is light years away from what collegiate sports were intended to be. Until the current century, TV didn’t make major decisions. Regents and trustees did. Now, some “go along,” perhaps believing the NCAA’s barrage of ads that their teams are composed of “student athletes.” This is no doubt true in most instances, but in some, such claims are “oxymoronish” at best (no pun intended). Some athletes wouldn’t know a classroom from a broom closet. Maybe it’s time for a handful of big-time college football teams to be set adrift from their institutions, allowing sports to return to intended roles of being only parts – albeit important ones – of higher education institutions....

Here’s another irony involving Aggies, this time the ones at New Mexico State University. In 1963, as a woeful season wound down with only three wins, NMSU invited the Lobos of Sul Ross State University to visit Las Cruces for a Thanksgiving Day game.

The Lobos, led by dazzling quarterback Luz Pedraza, proved equal to the challenge. The Alpine institution, its enrollment less than 10% of NMSU’s, could use NMSU’s \$25,000 check that would greatly exceed expenses.

You guessed it: The little NAIA



the idle american
by don newbury

school upended NMSU, 42-15, with enough money left for a new transmission in the team bus, but that’s a whole ‘nuther story....

Fast-forward 60 years. Recently, the NMSU Aggies played the mighty Auburn Tigers of the vaunted Southeastern Conference. A “David/Goliath” slaughter loomed. The Tigers were off-the-charts favorites to smite the Aggies. NMSU would return to Las Cruces with \$1.85 million for enduring the drubbing.

The Aggies, however, didn’t get the memo. They pounded the Tigers, 31-10, ending Auburn’s home win streak of 49 home wins against non-power conference teams. It was NMSU’s first win over an SEC team in 25 tries. Coach Jerry Kill’s incentive bonuses exceeded \$100,000. (Kill, BTW, has epilepsy and a shoulder tattoo he had promised last year if his charges won the Quick Lane Bowl game.)

A dream would be to savor one more Thanksgiving with the Texas Aggies battling the Texas Longhorns, a “telly-following-turkey” observance during most of my life. This, of course, is not to be. Now, both teams are members of the SEC. Who knows how they’ll fare? They’re both likely to come up with the money – tainted, hush or blood – in their quest for national championships. We can but dream of simpler days, when playing fields were more level, in-state rivalries promoted and sports kept generally in context....

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Obituaries

Thornton
Steven Ray Thornton, 64, of Clarendon died Sunday, November 26, 2023, in Amarillo.

Grave-side services will be 2:00 p.m., Friday, December 1, 2023, in Ash Creek Cemetery in McAlester, Oklahoma.



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

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

Steve was born May 9, 1959, in Pampa to William Allen and Marlene Griggs Thornton. He married Ann Marie Kutz on September 25, 1993, in Pampa. He had been a longtime resident of Pampa before moving to Clarendon in 1999. Steve was an active member of the Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department since 2013. He enjoyed fishing, shooting, and a strawberry shake from Sonic. He deeply loved his family and his grandkids.

Steve was preceded in death by his father, and his stepfather, Don Riddle.

He is survived by his wife, Ann Thornton of Clarendon; his mother, Marlene Riddle of Pampa; his step mother, Glenda Thornton of Oklahoma; his sons, Brandon Thornton, Jake Chamber and wife Kelly of Illinois, Zach Brown and Kristin of Borger, Steve Thornton, Jr. of Iowa Park, Carl Thornton and wife Emma of Wellington, and Jerry Hardy and wife Rachel of Amarillo; his daughters, Jennifer Brady of Idaho and Lora Cabrialez and husband Armando of Mathis, Texas; his brothers, Brian Thornton of Oklahoma and Brian Tollison and wife Racheal of Montana; his sisters, Janet McNeely of Pampa and Stephanie Quaid and husband Jeff of Oklahoma; nine grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

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the lion's tale
by scarlet estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting November 28, 2023, with Boss Lion David Dockery in charge.

We had 13 members present, one member attending virtually, Sweetheart Emma Roys, and two guests this week – Ben and Ella Estlack, guests of Lion Roger Estlack.

The Toys for Joy Drive was discussed with this Friday being the last day for toy donations. Plans were made for distribution with Santa to the Clarendon and Hedley elementary students next month.



New Lion
Boss Lion Pro Tem Richard Green welcomed Ted Shaller as a new member of the Clarendon Lions Club last Tuesday, November 21.

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Community Calendar

November 30 - December 2

Lady Broncos v Miami Tournament • TBA • Miami

December 1

Broncos v Sunray • 7:00 p.m. • Happy State Bank stadium in Canyon

December 2

Saints' Roost Museum Christmas Party • Food, Live Music, and Dancing • Visit SaintsRoostMuseum.com

December 5

Lady Broncos v Vega • 6:00 p.m. • Away

December 7 - 9

Lady Broncos v Childress Tournament • TBA • Childress

January 13

Donley County Junior • Livestock Show & Sale • Donley County Activity Center • Call for details • 806-874-2141

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Menus

December 4 - 8

Donley County Senior Citizens

Mon: Soft tacos, Spanish rice, ranch style beans, garden salad, baked apples, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Polish sausage, cabbage, mashed potatoes, whole wheat roll, black forest parfait, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Pot roast, gravy, potatoes, onions, carrots, green beans, whole wheat roll, peach cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.

Thurs: Cheeseburgers, potato wedges, melon, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Salmon patties, smothered potatoes, broccoli, whole wheat roll, apple cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Baked ziti w/Italian sausage, baked fresh sweet potatoes, green beans, mandarin oranges sections, whole wheat buttermilk biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Chicken broccoli rice casserole, roasted red potatoes, sweet roasted Brussel sprouts, snickerdoodles, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Chicken fried steak w/ country gravy, homemade mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, apple cobbler, whole wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.

Thurs: Orange-rosemary pork roast, roasted potato wedges, creamed spinach, Amish sugar cookies, whole wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: BBQ beef on whole wheat bun, baked beans, mixed green salad, no bake cookies, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon ISD

Breakfast

Mon: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Tues: French toast, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Wed: Biscuit, gravy, scrambled eggs, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Thur: Pancake wrap, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Fri: Sunrise sandwich, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch

Mon: Corn dog, potatoes, tomato cup, milk.

Tues: Grilled cheese sandwich, celery, carrots, fruit, dessert, milk.

Wed: Pizza, veggie cup, salad, fruit, milk.

Thu: Burrito, broccoli, corn, milk.

Fri: Chicken nugget, fries, biscuit, carrots, green beans, fruit, dessert, milk.

Hedley ISD

Breakfast

Mon: Breakfast pizza, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Tues: French toast, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Wed: Biscuit, gravy, scrambled eggs, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Thu: Pancake wrap, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Fri: Cinnamon roll, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Lunch

Mon: Corndog, potatoes, tomato cup, fruit cup, milk.

Tues: Nacho Grande, salsa, beans, cucumbers, apricots, ice cream cup, milk.

Wed: Crispy chicken sandwich, veggie cup, garden salad, fruity gelatin, milk.

Thu: Breaded pork chop, gravy, roll, broccoli, corn, mandarin oranges, milk.

Fri: Pizza carrots, green beans, apples, cookie, milk.

Extension to offer educational programs at Amarillo farm show

The Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will be offering two days of educational programming events during the Amarillo Farm and Ranch Show. The events will be held on Nov. 28 and Nov. 29 at the Amarillo Civic Center Grand Plaza Ballroom, 401 S. Buchanan St., Amarillo.

McKenzie)

The Amarillo Farm Show CEU Workshop will be held on Nov. 28 from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. with registration at 8 a.m., and the program beginning at 8:45 a.m.

Registration cost is \$40. An RSVP is requested, but not required, to Megan Eikner, AgriLife Extension agriculture and natural resources agent in Potter County, at megan.eikner@ag.tamu.edu.

Checks need to be payable to Potter Ag Committee and participants are required to bring their current Texas Department of Agriculture applicator cards during registration. Breakfast and lunch will also be provided to those registered.

A total of five TDA continuing education units will be available for those completing the workshop, including two general units, two integrated pest management units and one laws and regulations unit.

The program will feature a laws and regulations update from Cheryl Goswick, TDA inspector, Amarillo, and a scout school basics of field scouting and pest control decisions.

The scout school topics will include: Sorghum and wheat scouting tools and pests – Jourdan Bell, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension agrono-

mist, Amarillo; Scouting tools at various stages of growth and pests in cotton – John Thobe, AgriLife Extension integrated pest management agent, Muleshoe; and Sorghum, corn and cotton pest entomology – José Santiago-González, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension entomologist, Amarillo.

A beef quality assurance training program with Jason Smith, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist and Department of Animal Science assistant professor, Amarillo, as guest speaker will be held from 1-5 p.m. Nov. 28 in the Hospitality Room. The program is for those who need certification or re-certification on the best practices in beef quality assurance, including: Residue avoidance, Vaccine handling, Proper injection handling, Genetic selection, Environmental stewardship, and Cattle handling and welfare.

To RSVP, contact education@tskra.org or call 817-916-1753.

The Texas Wheat Symposium and Amarillo Ag Appreciation Luncheon, hosted by the Texas Wheat Producers Association and the Amarillo Chamber of Commerce Ag Council, will be held from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. on November 29.

The free symposium begins at 10:30 a.m. The agenda includes a wheat market outlook presented by Mark Welch, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension grain marketing economist, and a farm policy outlook presented by Joe Outlaw, Ph.D., co-director of the Agricultural and Food Policy Center at Texas A&M University and AgriLife Extension economist. Both

are professors in the Texas A&M Department of Agricultural Economics– in Bryan-College Station.

The Amarillo Ag Appreciation Luncheon will begin at noon. The keynote speaker will be Vance Crowe, founder, Legacy Interviews, St. Louis, Missouri.

AgriLife Extension will immediately follow the luncheon with the Grassland Management and Grazing Decision Aids for Landowners seminar at 1:30 p.m.

Laura Goodman, Ph.D., associate professor, Natural Resource Ecology and Management and Extension specialist, Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, Oklahoma, will be one of the featured speakers. Goodman will speak on brush control, stockpiling for drought and improving forage quality with patch-burn grazing.

Also on the agenda is a panel discussion with local ranchers Mike Turner and Clint Hoelting. The panel will discuss the pros and cons of management practices implemented on farms and ranches in the Texas Panhandle region. The program will adjourn at 4 p.m.

Eikner said AgriLife Extension is also leading a Blue Jean Drive in cooperation with America's Cotton Producers and Importers. Participants will be able to donate old denim items during a recycling event at the show. The Blue Jeans Go Green project is designed to keep old denim from going to landfills. The donated jeans will be taken and used to make eco-friendly denim insulation for communities in need.

Research looks to transform manure into protein

Can you turn manure into a cow, chicken or fish?

Texas A&M AgriLife Research scientists are looking to do just that, in a roundabout, circular economy, kind of way.

A three-year, \$618,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture National Institute for Food and Agriculture is funding a study by scientists in the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Science Department of Entomology and Mississippi State University to explore dairy manure clean-up via black soldier flies.

The team would then examine the flies' value as a potential ingredient in livestock, poultry and aquaculture feed.

The project will concentrate on both environmental health and economic benefits of converting dairy waste into protein that could be used for feed.

Early data indicate probiotics could be used to accelerate the digestive process in fed animals, increase conversion of waste to insect biomass, decrease greenhouse gases and noxious odors, and reduce concerns about pathogens that might be present in the manure.

The study will be led by Jeff Tomberlin, Ph.D., professor, AgriLife Research Fellow, Presidential Impact Fellow and Center for Environmental Sustainability through Insect Farming director, and Anjel Helms, Ph.D., an assistant professor

and chemical ecologist, both in the Department of Entomology.

Heather Jordan, Ph.D., associate professor and microbiologist at Mississippi State University, will examine the resulting larvae and frass, which is the material remaining after larvae digest manure, for microbial diversity and feed safety. Helms' postdoctoral research associate Amber MacInnis, Ph.D., will lead the day-to-day data collection with the help of students.

Black soldier fly larvae consume their weight in organic waste daily for a two-week period – around 1 gram or the weight of a single raisin per larva. That may sound insignificant, but those amounts add up when multiplied by millions of black soldier fly larvae.

For example, existing facilities in Europe, Asia and North America can digest 100 tons of waste daily using black soldier fly larvae.

MacInnis' experiments are done in plastic containers filled with around 18 pounds of manure where 10,000 black soldier fly eggs are placed. The larvae hatch, consume the dairy manure for two weeks and then are harvested, and then the process is repeated.

An important part of the project is to determine how safe harvested larvae are when converted into ingredients for feed. Little is known about pathogen diversity in larvae that consume manure that in turn could impact feed safety. Helms sus-

pects larvae consuming manure are safe for livestock consumption, but the end-product must be certified.

"This is an exciting study to be a part of because it is problem-solving at its core," MacInnis said. "These dairies produce an enormous amount of waste. If black soldier flies can be an efficient part of their management process and provide other benefits, that could be a big breakthrough across the industry."

Black soldier flies consume organic waste, including manure, but the process of waste conversion leaves room for efficiency improvements.

The study will utilize probiotics to enhance black soldier fly waste conversion of dairy manure and remove more than 50 percent of nitrogen and potassium from the waste. Helms said the team is working with Jordan to study the probiotic impacts.

Manure conversion by black soldier flies is also expected to provide an environmental benefit beyond reducing reliance on traditional manure management methods like waste storage lagoons.

"There is potential for layers of economic and environmental benefits to incorporating black soldier flies in manure management," Helms said. "Turning waste into a resource sounds too good to be true, but we are understanding more and more about the ways black soldier flies can solve a lot of problems."

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Clarendon College alumnus Wyatt Casper is set to return to the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas this year.

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Casper battles back to Las Vegas

By Ted Harbin, TwisTed Rodeo

MIAMI, Texas – Always confident in competition, Wyatt Casper doesn’t deny the shimmers of doubts that crossed his mind a few months ago.

A nagging injury – a torn right hamstring – haunted him again July 4. He’d just gone through the same pain a year earlier but tried to come back too soon and suffered another setback. In 2023, he knew better and just stayed on injured reserve for 30 days. While his leg ached, the biggest pain he felt came from missing out on a month’s worth of big-money rodeos.

No Calgary, Alberta. No Cheyenne, Wyoming. As a saddle bronc rider who makes a living riding equine-powered dynamite, lucrative rodeos like those are vital to his business. He returned to action the first week of August, but things just weren’t clicking the way he had hoped.

“A couple of weeks went by, and I just didn’t feel completely right yet,” said Casper, 27, of Miami. “I didn’t really win a whole lot, and I was getting a little down in the dumps.”

He didn’t stay there long. In mid-August, he and all the other top bronc riders in ProRodeo converged on the Xtreme Broncs Finals in Rapid City, South Dakota. He won that event and \$31,000, a turning point to his 2023 campaign that has propelled him to his fourth straight National Finals Rodeo.

“I really needed that to help push me through to qualifying for the NFR and getting some momentum on my side,” he said. “Bronc riding is all about confidence and just having some good luck go your way. It has to be something where you think every time you get on, there’s not a chance he’s going to throw you off or that you’re going to screw up. You’re going to win some money.”

“I think that plays a big part of it being in good rhythm and drawing all those good horses and making some money. It goes hand in hand, and all that helps you get some good confidence.”

He finished the regular season with \$142,421, good enough for eighth place as he heads back to the NFR, set for Dec. 7-16 in Las Vegas. He has credited a consistent approach to his game for keeping him among ProRodeo’s elite saddle bronc riders. His best season to date was 2020, when he finished as the reserve world champion. He would love to improve upon that this year, and the only way to do that is to finish the finale as the No. 1 man.

“The big thing was not screwing up any good horses and capitalizing on good draws and making money when you can,” he said. “I

don’t feel like I changed anything. I just stuck to the gameplan I’ve always had, and, luckily, it’s been working out good.”

He’s definitely been on a roll. He didn’t finish first at many rodeos – he won five event titles and shared the championship at another – but he placed a lot. The only way to earn money in rodeo is to beat most of the cowboys in the field, and he did that a lot through the campaign. It doesn’t hurt that rodeo features unprecedented purses in 2023.

As Casper pointed out, the 15th man on the money was Louisianan Ryder Sanford, who earned \$125,388. That’s an incredible amount of earnings just to advance to the sport’s grand finale – only the top 15 contestants in the world standings in each event at the conclusion of the regular season qualify for the NFR.

“If you’d told me when I started that it would take that kind of money to qualify for the NFR, I would have thought you were crazy,” said Casper, who lives outside Miami with his wife, Lesley, and their two children, Cooper and Cheyenne. “It just goes to show what the PRCA is doing and what these rodeos are doing. I know everybody is trying to increase the added money and trying to pay the contestants more money, and it’s showing.”

That’s one of the positive things about rodeo; cowboys and cowgirls realize the importance of doing well in competition. Unlike other professional sports, there are no guaranteed contracts.

On top of that, contestants must pay a fee in order to compete; while that money is mixed with local dollars to make up the overall purse, men and women must excel at each stop in order to get paid.

Casper knew that when he opted to become a professional rodeo cowboy. It’s a life he was meant to live. His folks, John and Amy, started roping as a hobby when they met, and he and his brothers, Ty and Clay, followed suit. Raised near Balko in the Oklahoma Panhandle, Wyatt Casper obtained a rodeo scholarship to Clarendon College, where coach Bret Franks helped him transition from roper to bronc rider.

Casper took to it so well that he was crowned the 2016 National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association’s national champion while at Clarendon. That opened the doors and helped the young cowboy prosper, and he returns to his roots every now and then to keep his tools sharp. In fact, he’ll utilize those relationships and others as he prepares for the rugged 10 go-rounds in Las Vegas.

“I’m going to get on some practice horses and take care of my body, get it in the best shape I can

to survive 10 horses,” said Casper, who not only leans on his family but also has support from his sponsors, Cinch, Priefert, Resistol, Superior Livestock, TD Angus, MVP Exceed 6 Way, Western Hauler and Sawyer Hay & Cube.

“I’ve got two practice horses that I keep down at Clarendon all the time, and then I think I’ll go to Frontier Rodeo’s (in Freedom, Oklahoma) and get on a couple of broncs there. I just went up to (a PRCA event in) Indianapolis and broke in some new boots and a saddle, and everything seems like it’s set up pretty good. I’ll just keep getting on broncs to keep the dust knocked off and go to Vegas with some confidence.”

Even with a tough stretch that kept him out of action during the all-important summer run, he remains strong in his convictions and in his mental approach to the sport. He spent the year traveling with fellow bronc busters Jake Clark, Weston Patterson and Kade Bruno, the last of whom is also an NFR qualifier. Each offered another layer of support to Casper, which was reciprocated.

“We all lean on each other when we’re out there to keep a positive attitude, and they all help quite a bit where we like to have fun, hang out, get in a little golf and do things because we all have the same interests,” Casper said. “It’s pretty easy to stay positive out there. I’ve got a wife and kids at home to help motivate me and keep me going, and I talk to my dad every day when I’m on the road, too.

“It all helps keep me going and upbeat and know everything’s taken care of on the home front. I have a pretty good support system.”

That comes in handy. Technology allows for better communication with family, but the cowboys are still gone from home for weeks on end. Casper, though, had a month to celebrate family because of his hamstring injury. While he would have preferred to build on his fortune and give himself a better chance to win a world championship, he took the opportunity that time at home afforded him.

“For me, it’s like a double-edged sword,” he said. “You’ve got to take the good together with the bad, and you’ve got to see the positives and look for a good outcome. That’s what I try to do.”

It’s that mental approach that has been the guiding force for Casper and what has helped him capitalize when moments come.

“The mental side of bronc riding is probably more important than the physical side,” he said. “You’ve got to be mentally tough so you can get through the hard times. Being mentally tough helps no matter what you’re doing.”

Lady Bronco JV stomps Happy

The Lady Bronco junior varsity squad has had a lot of success early in the season and continued their winning streak against Happy on the road before Thanksgiving. They were able to defeat the Cowgirls 66-14.

Great offensive execution led the ladies on the court as they were able to score at will in the first quarter of play. They put in 20 points the first quarter and 34 the second while holding Happy to only two first half points, which speaks highly of their effort on defense. The Lady Broncos were able to cruise in the second half

and get the big win.

Cambree Smith had a solid game with 22 points that included one three-pointer and hitting five of seven free throws.

Kimbrasia Ballard was strong once again and added 18 points in the win. Graci Ellis finished with nine, and Madi Benson and Jayla Woodard had six points each. Kinslee Hatley hit a three-pointer, and Megan Weathered put in three.

The Lady Broncos will travel to Vega December 5 at 4 p.m. and take on Nazareth on December 12 also at 4 p.m.

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CLUES ACROSS

1. Nocturnal S. American rodent

5. Requesting

11. Give temporarily

12. Happiness

16. Military branch

17. - _ , denotes past

18. Middle Eastern city

19. Air hostesses

24. Partner to Pa

25. Percussion instrument

26. Popular computers

27. Decrease light

28. Valley in the Osh Region

29. “To _ his own”

30. Absence of difficulty

31. Notice announcing intended marriage read out in church

33. Trims by cutting

34. Impact

38. Military member

39. A French river

40. Member of prehistoric people in Mexico

43. Messenger ribonucleic acid

44. Musician Clapton

45. Greek sophist

49. Largest English dictionary (abbr.)

50. Narrow valley

51. A way to disentangle

53. Indicates not an issue (abbr.)

54. Recommending

56. Genus of legumes

58. Friend to Larry and Curly

59. Off-Broadway theater award

60. Fencers

63. Small Eurasian deer

64. Denoting passerine birds

65. Separate by category

CLUES DOWN

1. Colorless fluid part of blood

2. Of a main artery

3. Photographic equipment

4. Confirms a point

5. Developed over time

6. Not the leader

7. _ Lang (country singer)

8. Adults need one

9. Nests of pheasants

10. Antelopes

13. One quintillion bytes (abbr.)

14. Japanese three-stringed lute

15. Type of cat

20. Cools your home

21. The ancient Egyptian sun god

22. Pouches

23. Trigraph

27. Form of Persian spoken in Afghanistan

29. _ route

30. Body part

31. Bridge building degree

32. Indicates position

33. Political action committee

34. Tasty snack

35. Part of a quadruped

36. Locate

37. Pitching statistic

38. Of I

40. City in Utah

41. Football players in the trenches

42. Hammer is one

44. A “nightmarish” street

45. Performers

46. Slang for cut or scrape

47. More breathable

48. Most slick

50. Provokes

51. Home to college’s Flyers

52. Sodium

54. Large fish of mackerel family

55. Zero

57. _ and behold

61. The Palmetto State

62. Popular Tom Cruise movie franchise (abbr.)

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Clarendon Broncos grab Regional title against Gruver

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Broncos took down Gruver 34-32 last week and earned the right to the State Quarter-final game against Sunray on Friday, December 1 at Happy State Bank Stadium in Canyon at 7:00 p.m.

The Broncos gained the upper hand early in last week's game, but the Greyhounds fought back to make it a close game.

The Broncos finished the game with 150 yards passing and 268 yards on the ground for 418 total yards. Quarterback Lyric Smith was 11/16 passing for 128 yards with two touchdowns. Smith posted two TDs rushing and grabbed a pass from Easton Frausto for a touchdown as well.

Frausto also had a good offensive game and was 4/20 receiving with one score for 46 total yards and threw the strike to Smith for six. Shane Hagood had seven carries for 18 yards to help the Broncos. Quay Brown had a 36-yard touchdown from Smith and Mason Sims had two catches for 25 yards.

With their early start, the Broncos were able to make a statement to the Greyhounds even though Gruver was able to get back into the ball game by half time and only trail by three points. Both teams scored twice each in the second half of play with Gruver converting an extra point to close the gap by one. A last-ditch attempt by the Greyhounds with three minutes to go ended in a fumble that was recovered by the Broncos to cap the win by two points.

"You gotta have some things go your way, and I think our preparation shows." Head coach Aaron Wampler said. "Just the heart, the fight, and the grit of these guys, can't say enough about their effort."

Defensively, the Broncos were strong and quick to get to the Gruver quarterback. Jared Musick led the way with 13 tackles, one QB sack, one forced fumble, and one fumble recovery, and Dalton Coles posted 12 tackles and a forced fumble and recovery as well.

Grant Haynes was busy with nine tackles, and Ranger Drenth and Jaxan McAnear helped with six tackles each. Waite Dushay grabbed a Gruver fumble and had two tackles on the night and Brown and Anthony Cenicerros had one tackle each.

Follow live updates from this Friday's game at Facebook.com/TheEnterprise.

Lady Broncos slam Texline

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos added another win to their record with a huge 83-24 win over Texline before Thanksgiving.

A big-scoring first quarter and even bigger second quarter allowed the Lady Broncos to set the tempo of the game and a hustle defense was key in getting stops and frustrating their opponent.

Kate Shaw stepped up her game and put in 11 points in the second eight minutes. Shaw finished with 17 points, five of which came from the bonus line. Shaw, along with Graci Smith, Presley Smith, and Hayden Elam were perfect at the free throw line making 14 of 14 shots in the game and Tandie Cummins hit five out of six. The ladies were able to shoot 88 percent making 21 of 24 bonus shots.

Defensively, the ladies had their way with the Lady Tors as they stopped nearly everything Texline tried to do. They were able to accumulate several points from the defensive end of the court.

Joining Shaw who led with 17 was P. Smith and Kennadie Cummins with 11, and G. Smith with 10. Keniece Hayes had nine, Tandie Cummings put in seven, and Elam had six. Courtlyn Conkin had five, Kashlyn Conkin put in four, and Berkley Moore added a three-pointer. Overall, the ladies posted four shots from the arc.

The Lady Broncos will participate in the Miami Tournament to be held November 30-December 2 and travel to Vega December 5.



Bronco Dalton Coles takes down a Greyhound last Friday in Borger. Coles posted 12 tackles against Gruver.



Bronco Lyric Smith makes moves to gain yards on Gruver last week in Borger.



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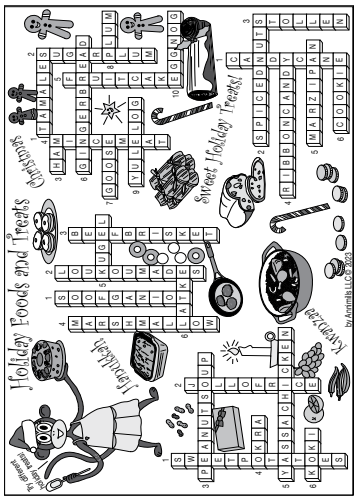
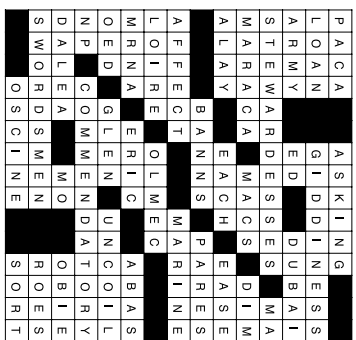


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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS HEDLEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT'S State Financial Accountability Rating Hedley ISD will hold a public meeting at 6:30 p.m., December 18, 2023, in the Board Conference Room, Hedley ISD, 301 Jones Street, Hedley, TX. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Hedley ISD's rating on the state's financial accountability system.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Michael Edward Mobley were issued on November 9, 2023, in Cause No. CPR-23-03262, pending in the County Court of Donley County, Texas, to Debra Lomax. All persons having claims against the estate, which is presently being administered, are required to submit them, within the time and manner prescribed by law, and before the estate is closed, addressed as follows:
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[s] Bill Cornett
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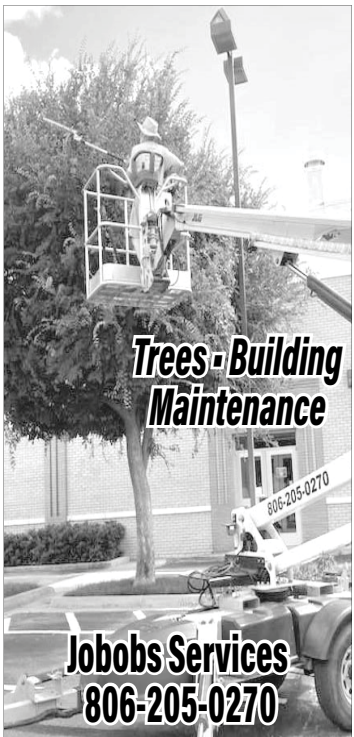
The property located at 339 Walleye St, Howardwick, TX 79226 was found to be in violation of the city's substandard structure ordinance outlined in the Local Government Code, Title 7, Subtitle A, Chapter 214, for dangerous structures and has been set for a hearing.
NOTICES MAILED TO OWNER OF RECORD: Kelly Tuttle
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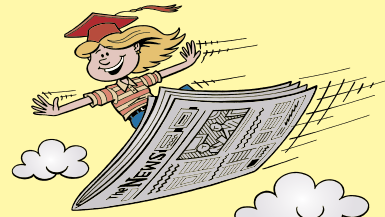
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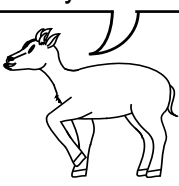
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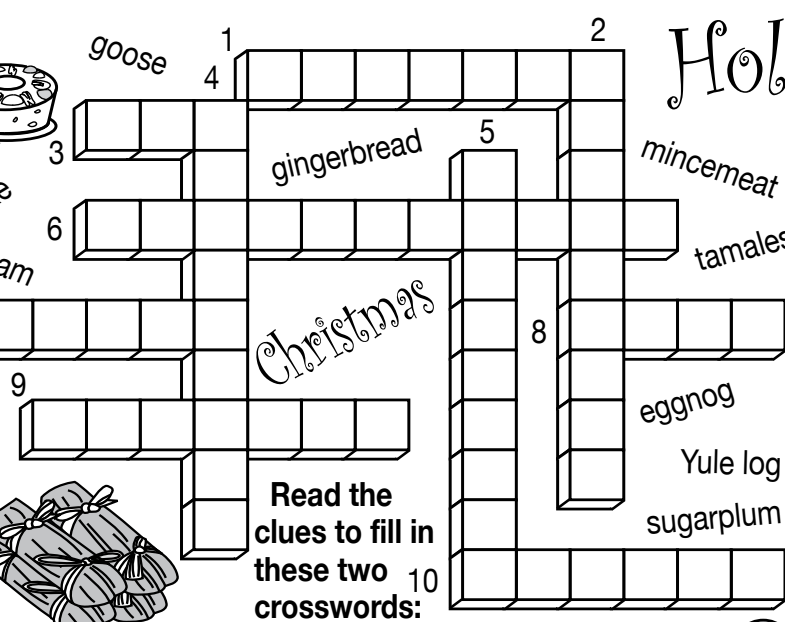
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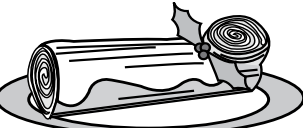
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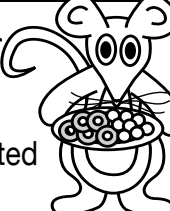
Everyone will be cooking, baking, frying, frosting, decorating or at least eating their family's favorite foods for winter holidays like Christmas, Hanukkah or Kwanzaa!



1. traditional Mexican Christmas dish, popular in southwest U.S. - corn dough with spicy pork or beef filling, wrapped in corn husks before cooking - served with sauce, cream or crumbly fresh cheese
2. treat of sugar, fruits and nuts: rolled into a ball or shaped to look like a fruit or a star
3. meat glazed with honey, brown sugar, mustard and pineapple juice
4. this pie is mostly dried fruit such as raisins - used to be made of chopped meats
5. cake made with candied fruit, nuts, spices
6. treat shaped into a cookie or a house
7. bird roasted, stuffed with apples, prunes, onions and sweet chestnuts (Germany, the United Kingdom and China)
8. pudding; been around for 600 years! - made with meat, pastry and fruits
9. spongy cake rolled like a log and, when cooled, filled with cream - decorated with powdered sugar, candy mushrooms and fresh berries; Bûche de Noël
10. yolks, milk, sugar and cream drink - often spiced with cinnamon or nutmeg



What? You think only Chatter can whip up delicious treats?



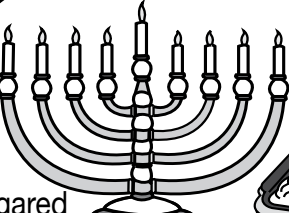
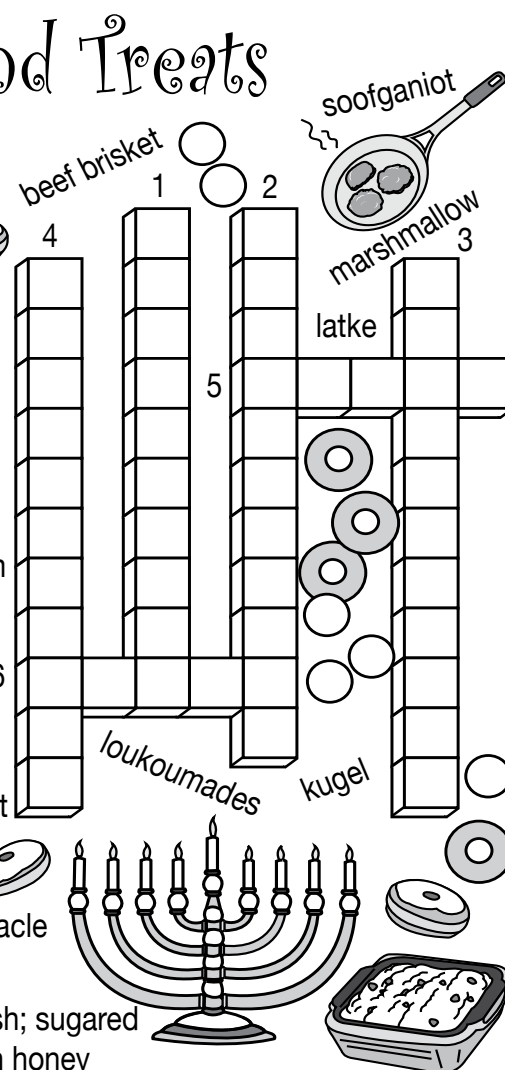
Holiday Foods and Treats



Hanukkah

Hanukkah is a Jewish holiday that honors the victory the Maccabees (a Jewish group) had over their enemy. It celebrates the rededication of their Temple in Jerusalem after it had been ruined. There was only enough oil in the lamps to keep the eternal flame in the Temple burning for one day. But, the oil kept burning for eight days while fresh oil was prepared! Hanukkah is a joyful celebration of the miracle that lasted for eight days.

1. jelly doughnut served fresh; sugared
2. deep fried puffs dipped in honey
3. part of a cow used in traditional Jewish dishes - holiday pot roast
4. _____ Dreidels - treat made using different candies
5. made with egg noodles - can be served with vegetables or fruit
6. potato pancake fried with onions - cheeses or vegetables added





Christmas wishes
Dalis Reuter tells Santa all her Christmas wishes last Saturday at the annual Courthouse Lighting Ceremony.

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Service with a Roar
The Clarendon Lions Club served hot chocolate to those attending the Courthouse Lighting Ceremony last Saturday evening. Shown here are Josh Blais with Lions Angela and Corey Blais, Lion Anndria Newhouse, Lions Mary and Richard Green, and Lion Brian Barboza.

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