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

CCISD authorizes admin contracts

The Clarendon CISD Board of Trustees renewed administrative contracts during their regular meeting February 19.

The board met in closed session for about half an hour before returning to open session to take action on the contracts.

The board voted to extend by two years the contracts of principals John Moffett, Jenifer Pigg, and Cynthia Bessent; and Athletic Director Aaron Wampler for two additional years.

One year extensions were approved for Counselor Jenae Ashbrook, Counselor Erin Shaw, and Federal Programs/Curriculum Director Jen Bellar.

In other school business, a motion was approved to not adopt a policy authorizing a campus of the district to employ or accept as a volunteer a chaplain under Education Code Chapter 23. The board also voted to approve the Trust Deed for Trust Property in the City of Howardwick.

Administrative reports were presented by Wampler, Bessent, Pigg, Moffett, Shaw, Ashbrook, Jen Bellar, and Superintendent Jarod Bellar.

Lions to host 12th Jones 5K April 27

The 12th annual Chance Mark Jones Roar & Run 5K will be held Saturday, April 27, at the Donley Courty Courthouse.

The Clarendon Lions Club is hosting the event again in memory of the late Chance Mark Jones to raise awareness of Child Abuse. Jones passed away in January 2011 as a result of abuse.

Those interested in running or walking the 5K (about 3.1 miles) encouraged to sign up before March 29 to be guaranteed the official 5K t-shirt. Registrations are \$30 each.

The year's 5K will again start and end at the Courthosue and will run through the city, around Prospect Park, and past several historic sites. The race will begin at 8:30 a.m.

Race registrations are available at the Clarendon Visitor Center at the Mulkey Theatre or at the Enterprise.

For more information, contact Lion Ashlee Estlack at ashlee. estlack@gmail.com or 806-662-4687 or Lion Roger Estlack at publisher@clarendonlive.com or 806-874-2259.

St. Mary's planning fish fry on Mar. 22

St. Mary's Catholic Church will hold a Fish Fry on Friday, March 22, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Dine-in and carry-out will be available, and tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for children. Proceeds benefit the church building

Call-in orders are welcome at 806-874-3910.





Chamber winners were (back) Young Woman and Man of the Year from Hedley - Flor Silvestre and Liam Branigan and Young Woman and Man of the Year from Clarendon - Courtlyn Conkin and Cutter Seay; (front) Volunteer Organization of the Year - Bread of Life Ministry (represented by Sherrol Johnston), Man of the Year - Steve Reynolds, Saints' Roost Award - Ted Shaller, Woman of the Year - Machiel Covey, and Business of the Year - Donley County State Bank (represented by Lindy Craft) ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ELAINA ESTLACK

Shaller wins Chamber's top award Reynolds, Covey named Man, Woman of the Year

with the 2024 Saints' Roost Award for his lifetime of service and commitment to the community during the annual Chamber Awards Banquet last Thursday, February 29.

Man of the Year honors went to Steve Reynolds, and Machiel Covey was named the Woman of the Year.

The Donley County State Bank was named the Business of the Year, and the Bread of Life Ministry was of the Year.

highest honor given annually by the Chamber to recognize a lifetime of volunteering and community ser-

getting out and promoting the event. of Clarendon close to heart. You'll find him everyday, quietly

more than ten years, he has worked president in 1960 and had worked at Museum Program at the Saints'

and he always has a smile.

munity. She spent about eight years things that make Clarendon great. volunteering with the VFW, servnamed the Volunteer Organization ing as its secretary for five years of the Year was the Bread of Life and helping with all fundraisers. Ministry, which started in 2011 The Saints' Roost Award is the She supports community events, as food pantry at the Methodist decorates chamber banquet tables, Church, serving about 30 families FCCLA for two years, and she is an helps with the chuckwagon cookoff, per month, and it has grown to a participates in Independence Day community-wide, faith-based min-Shaller was recognized for placements of flags at Citizens Cemilies and almost 500 people every cross country for four years and has his long history of working to help etery and on the Courthouse lawn month. It was founded by Katherine been a football trainer and baseball people in need. He has served on for Memorial Day and Veterans Monroe, but many people have fol-manager. She volunteers with Snack the Donley County AgriLife Exten- Day. As a member of the Clarendon lowed in her footsteps with more Pack 4 Kids and the food bank. She sion Advisory Board and on the Lions Club, she has continued to than 20 regular volunteers who take earned an Honor C in family con-Appraisal Board. More than 20 help with the flag service and has time out of their day once a month sumer science her sophomore year, years ago, he established what later become active in the Texas Ramp to organize and distribute food to was top student in interpersonal became known as the Christ's Kids Project and chairs the local ramp our neighbors. Other organizations communications her junior year, Outreach Ministry, one of the great building team. She is also active in the community join to help, but and is in the top five in her class. charities of our community. As a with the Friends of the Library. As the dedicated members of this orga- She's earned 33 hours of dual credit member of the Lions Club, he has city secretary for 14 years, she helps nization make sure that people have from Clarendon College. She has worked tirelessly to raise funds for keep our city running smoothly and the food they need to be secure. special projects and recently helped is a member of the Team Municipal blood drive by a factor of five by she holds the welfare of the people and Hedley.

The Clarendon Chamber of with the Bread of Life Ministry, the bank from 1928 until he retired Roost Museum, and does commu-Commerce recognized Ted Shaller sorting food and preparing boxes in 1995. Like his father, he was nity work at the historic S.W. Lowe during the distribution days, and praised for his generosity, a man House. He's a writer with published then afterward he delivers food to whose word was his bond, and for works in a book and several newsabout 20 shut-in households. He's a his warm heart wrapped by a gruff papers. He is taking several dual man with a heart for serving others, voice. Following Carroll and Wes-credit classes with Clarendon Col-Machiel Covey was named Knorpp, and their family have con- C's. He plans on attending univer-Woman of the Year for working tinued the tradition of a local bank sity to achieve a degree in architecfor working with the VFW and her that believes in our community and many hours of service to the comits citizens and takes pride in all the

The Volunteer Organization

The Chamber also recognized increase donations to a community Clerks Association. Through it all, outstanding youth from Clarendon

The Chamber of Commerce Young Man of the Year from performing mission and other vol- named the Donley County State Clarendon. He is active in UIL Acaunteer work, always seeking to Bank as its Business of the Year. demics, participating in Congress serve and never giving himself any Serving the community since 1906, Debate, Informative Extemporathe bank has been led by the Knorpp neous Speaking, Social Studies, attend Texas Tech University to get The Man of the Year for 2023 family. Wesley Knorpp started as a Number Sense, and Film; and he a degree in Kinesiology to become a was Steve Reynolds also has a cashier in 1906 and later became is member of the Golf team and an long history of serving others. As president in 1920 and held that posi-officer in the Student Council, NHS, a member of the United Christians tion until 1949. He had faith in his FFA, and the Babble-on Historic the Young Man of the Year from Breakfast, he was one of the men fellow man and received enjoyment Society. He serves on committees Hedley. He has participated in footwho could be depended upon to in watching and helping others to at the Donley County Senior Citicook for others at that ministry. For prosper. W. Carroll Knorpp became zens Center, is part of the Junior

ley's footsteps, Walt Knorpp, Todd lege and has earned several Honor ture with a minor in history. Courtlyn Conkin was named

the Young Woman of the Year from Clarendon. She has been a member of Student Council for 4 years and is president during her senior year. She has been a member and president of NHS member and a Student Liaison for Shattered Dreams. She's been festivals. She helped oversee the istry that serves more than 150 fam- active in basketball, tennis, and been All district basketball for three years, Offensive MVP her junior year, and Academic all-district for four years. She was the Team MVP Cutter Seay was named the for two years in tennis, Class officer for four years, and homecoming candidate two years. She plans on attending Clarendon College to get her associate's degree and then Physical Education Specialist.

Liam Branigan was named ball, track, One Act Play, FFA, and UIL Mathematics. He is a member

See 'Awards' on page 8.

CHS student arrested on terroristic threat charge

A Clarendon High School student was arrested Wednesday, February 28, after he threatened to shoot a classmate, according to Donley County Sheriff Butch Blackburn.

Avyen Chance Allen, age 17, was charged with Terroristic Threat, a Class B misdemeanor, and was still in jail Thursday morning.

Blackburn said Allen and a female student were talking in class when he threatened to go get a gun and shoot the girl. She did not say anything to school officials, but called her mother to come get her, the sheriff said. After the mother learned what happened, she called the school, and Clarendon CISD officials contacted the sheriff imme-

Blackburn happened to be on the elementary campus when the call came in, and went immediately to the high school to find the subject and learned that he had skipped his last period class. Allen was soon located and stopped for a traffic violation on North SH 70 by Deputy Brian Stevens while the sheriff was securing a warrant. Allen was then arrested and did not have a gun in his possession at the time, Blackburn said.

The sheriff praised the school for acting immediately when they learned of the threat.

"They did a good job," he said. Allen was released on bond late Thursday, the sheriff said.

Court hears local case

One Donley County case was on the docket when the district court held one hearing and heard 14 pleas February 15 in Childress.

District Attorney Luke Inman, along with Assistant District Attorney Harley Caudle, prosecuted the following cases for the State of Texas, with the Honorable Judge Dale Rabe presiding.

Carla Denise Henderson, 51, from Memphis, Texas, was placed on probation for four years for the first degree felony offense of possession of a controlled substance with intent to deliver, cocaine.

Henderson was arrested by Gambol in Donley County on December 7, 2023. Henderson pleaded to an information filed by the State on January 4.

Henderson was also ordered to pay an upfront fine of \$4,000, \$290 in court costs, a \$180 lab fee, a \$500 attorney fee, along with the completion of 400 hours of community service. If she violates the terms of her probation, Henderson faces up to 99 years of life in prison.

Wildfires hit region

Hundreds of structures and homes, two lives, and thousands of head of livestock were destroyed last week by wildfires fed by dry conditions and high winds across several counties in the northeastern Panhandle.

Last Tuesday, smoke filled the air in Donley County, and that evening about 1,000 or more people evacuated from Pampa to Clarendon as the fires threatened that city.

Several local buildings and churches here were opened to allow those in need to take refuge here, and local volunteer firemen also provided mutual aid in fighting area fires.

The Smokehouse Creek Fire, which started in Hutchinson County, burned a total of 1,075,000 acres and has been declared as the largest in Texas history. And it was only one of multiple fires that threatened homes and livelihoods in the past week.



Firefighters battle flames from the reignited Smokehouse Creek fire outside of Miami.

Presidential competence in the modern age

A bombshell was dropped in February when Department of Justice Special Counsel Robert Hur released his findings on President Joe Biden's handling of classified documents. The good news for Biden was Hur does not plan to bring charges. However, the bad news was that even though Hur concluded that Biden was actually guilty, no jury would convict him because Biden is too old and has, "limited precision and recall." Hur's ultimate conclusion was that Biden is "a sympathetic, well-meaning elderly man with a poor memory." The statements – though probably

politically motivated – are damning to the president because to many they only confirm what they already suspect: Biden is too old and will never make four more



speaking

by dr. james fink

Age has always been a concern for presidential elections. It was one of the biggest issues facing Ronald Reagan when he ran for pres-

ident at age 73. Yet that is now seeming young compared to the two presumptive candidates with Trump at age 77 and Biden at 81.

With Biden, between the reports and what seems like mental slips in the last few years, voters have wondered what happens if the president becomes mentally unable to fulfill his duties. Historically speaking, it would not be the first time a president was mentally incapacitated, only the first time it happened that the public never knew.

In 1912 the very progressive ex-governor of New Jersey, Woodrow Wilson was elected President of the United States as a Democrat, only the second since James Buchanan's 1856 election. As a progressive, he shaped the direction of the nation including instituting income tax, direct election of senators and women's suffrage. While in office, arguably Wilson's two biggest events were personally the marriage to his second wife Edith Galt Wilson in 1915, and internationally the beginning of WWI in 1914. Wilson used American neutrality in the war as his campaign slogan, "Vote for Wilson! He kept us out of war," when he ran for reelection in 1916. Yet it was only about a year later that America sided with the Allies and started shipping soldiers off to France.

Historians debate whether Wilson intended all along to enter the war. Those who believe he always planned on fighting do not believe his progressive nature would allow him to stay out of a fight that had such important outcomes. The war changed the map of Europe and toppled four major empires. Wilson knew the only way he would have a seat at the table after the war was as a fighting participate. Wilson, who held a Ph.D. in history and government from Johns Hopkins University and had served as president of Princeton University, was so confident he could solve all the worlds issues he showed up at the negotiating table with his Thirteen Points and expected to dominate the meeting. While Wilson did not get all his points into the Treaty of Versailles, he did get his most desired point: establishing the League of Nations, an international body that could solve future problems before they escalated into war.

The problem for Wilson was the Republican congress back home. Knowing the treaty needed congressional ratification, Wilson should have consulted with key Republicans on the treaty, but he was not that kind of president. When he presented the treaty to the Senate it was rejected, especially the League of

However, instead of compromising with Republican senators, Wilson took his cause to the people. He believed that the people would rally to his cause and force the senate to accept the League. For months Wilson rode a train around the nation giving whistlestop speeches to any crowd that would listen. However, in October, overworked and physically exhausted, the president suffered from a stroke that left him paralyzed and mentally impaired.

Instead of reporting the stroke, Edith and a small group decided to cover it up and tell the American people he was suffering from exhaustion. While the government continued to function normally Edith began making the executive decisions, including meeting with cabinet members and foreign dignitaries. When Republicans demanded an audience, Edith pulled a scene straight out of Weekend at Bernie's, where she dressed Wilson up, put his bed in the shadows with his paralyzed side to the wall. Wilson was able to pull it off with enough ability to carry a very short conversation to appease his detractors. Edith pulled off the act for over a year, knowing that, if discovered, the League of Nations would be doomed. In the end, it did not matter as the Republicans voted down American membership in the League, killing it before it even got started. As for Wilson, Edith was able to keep his secret until President Warren G. Harding was inaugurated.

I'm not sure if Jill Biden would be up to the task like Edith Wilson, but fortunately, if something were to happen to the president there are now laws in place. After the death of President John F. Kennedy, Congress pushed through the 25th Amendment that set up the line of accession to the presidency. In Section Four it states, "Whenever the Vice President and a majority of either the principal officers of the executive departments or of such other body as Congress may by law provide, transmit to the President pro tempore of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives their written declaration that the President is unable to discharge the powers and duties of his office, the Vice President shall immediately assume the powers and duties of the office as Acting President."

This section allowed for the president to be replaced if he is no longer able to perform his executive duties. While so far this amendment has only been used temporarily, mostly for colonoscopies, there are many who believe it might be enacted for the first time no matter which elderly statesman holds the office.

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It's time to just accept all cookies

We are among the dwindling few who still answer the doorbell when it chimes between sunup and sunset. (If we don't hear it, we can rely 100% on our new rescue dog, Archie, to "bark" an alert.)

Oh, it's not quite that simple. First, we use the peephole to see who is seeking entry. If the person is exceedingly short, the visitor may be a Girl Scout. I figure I can hold my own with her, knowing her mom is likely nearby, fading into the background after pressing the bell button.

When it rang recently, I was reading details of AT&T's "make it right" email, noticing an option in the small print to "accept all cookies."....

Wouldn't you know it? A charming eight-year-old, smartly outfitted in her Girl Scout uniform, was there to lighten her load of Girl Scout cookies. Sure enough, there was her mother nearby, smiling broadly. Usually, I buy a couple of boxes of Thin-Mints, feeling less guilty when chomping down on a snack with "thin" in its name. However, the AT&T ad kicked in, and I thought of the "accept all cookies" option.

"Why don't I just take one of each flavor?" I suggested. "Great," she replied, "I'll need to get'em from the car." I didn't realize there are a dozen flavors. At \$4 per box, that pretty much uses up a 50-dollar bill.

If you're curious, current flavors in our neck of the woods include Samoas, Thin-Mints, Lemonades, Toffee-Tastic, Caramel Chocolate Chip, Peanut Butter Patties, Dosidos, Adventurefuls,

S'mores, Lemon-Ups, Toast-Yay! and Trefoils. (Perhaps the AT&T "make it right" email softens my "budget blow.").

**** The AT&T apology, if you haven't heard, was by don newbury offered to custom-

ers who may have been inconvenienced by a service breach that spanned but a few hours. Viewed positively, the gesture goes well beyond what might be expected.

american

When's the last time you recall any reduction in billing by other utilities?

It's not even an "apples and oranges" comparison, but a century or so ago, most utilities--as well as companies of all sizes--gave little thought to token gifts, apologetic or not....

I can't shake the idea that Cross Plains, Texas, bank directors got into a minor scuffle more than a century ago when they argued over whether to provide paper cups for customers who "dipper-dipped" water from the bank lobby bucket. "A dipper and bucket are good enough at home, and they're good enough at the bank," one of the directors is said to have argued, but was later outvoted....

On the subject of "free stuff," that's what Energy Worldnet, Inc. (EWN) is offering to one lucky winner on the Internet. The lone prize is a "mystery

"tag a friend."

For readers who don't know about Energy Worldnet, its website provides detailed information. "The company offers platforms for managing workplaces and accessing information--particularly for employee training, certifications, evaluation data, supply chain management, regulatory compliance, consulting and enterprise management--on a global scale."....

described, a "paragraphful." And, you, too, can enter. You may be running short on swag, or conversely, may have so much of the stuff that you need a box to put it in. After all, those old cigar boxes we used to store miscellaneous items in are hard to come by.

Whatever, I intend to enter the contest, as well as provide this free column publicity for a firm that seems to be spanning the globe.

Should I win, I'll brag about it--explaining, in detail--exactly what I have won. I can always use additional stuff to hang from drooping curves....

public speaker and author. has written a weekly column since 2003.

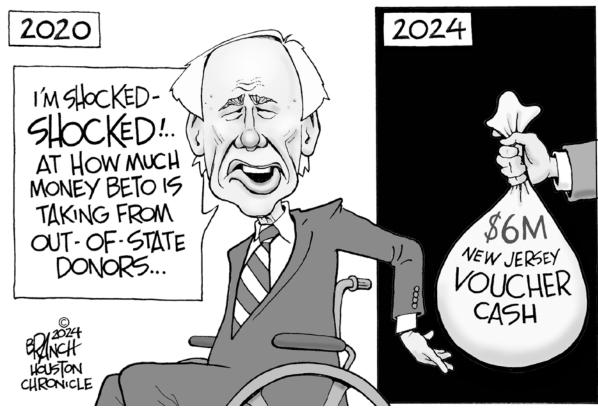
box of swag." The contest has minimal requirements, merely asking participants to "follow us"... "like this post"... and

Hundreds have entered, and entries continue to pour in. (I'm not sure what "swag" is, but the dictionary definition seems clear: "a noun identifying a curtain or piece of fabric fastened so as to hang in a drooping curve.")

That's a mouthful, or perhaps better

Dr. Newbury, longtime university president,





Health aging during nutrition month

By Chelsea Couch. **Statewide Texercise Coordinator**

National Nutrition Month is a great time to learn about older adults' changing nutritional needs and the eating habits that are important to healthy

The nutrients in the food we eat are vital to good health. They help the body heal and provide energy. Healthy eating is not only about the foods we eat but also about good habits like having the right portion sizes, reading nutrition labels and substituting with healthier options. The U.S. Department of Agriculture provides nutrition information and recommendations for all ages through the MyPlate program. To learn more, visit myplate.gov.

The Texas Health and Human Services Texercise initiative has free resources to engage older Texans in healthy lifestyle behaviors, including physical activity and eating habits. Use the Aging Well Resources Order Form to download Texercise resources.

Texercise also offers programs organizations can provide to their communities. Texercise Nourish is a free 12-week nutrition education program that educates and engages with older adults on healthy eating behaviors. To learn more, visit texercise.com.

Other HHS nutrition services and resources include:

The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) assists people with buying the food they need for good health. Learn how to apply and purchase food online at yourtexasbenefits.com.

Area Agencies on Aging (AAA) provide older adults, their families and caregivers with nutrition services like home and congregate meals. Connect with the nearest AAA and learn about available nutrition services by calling HHS at 800-252-9240.

Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs) are part of the No Wrong Door System and help streamline access to long-term services and support for the whole family. To learn more, visit hhs.texas.gov/providers/long-term-careproviders/aging-disability-resourcecenter-adrc. Learn more about the full range of available long-term supports by calling HHS at 855-937-2372.

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Scenes from the 2024 Chamber Banquet





















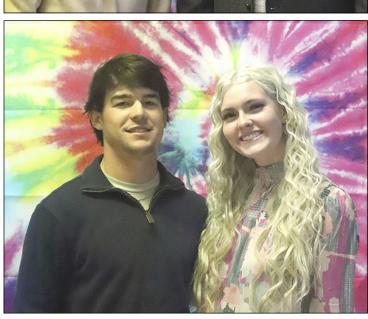
























Community Calendar

March 7

Regional Powerlifting Meet • Brownfield • TBA

March 7 & 8

Broncos Baseball @ West Texas Tournament • TBA • Borger & Stinnett

March 7, 8, & 9

Lady Broncos Softball @ Randall Tournament • Randall, Canyon, &

March 8 & 9

Ordinary Angels • 7:30 p.m. •

Mulkey Theater March 10

Ordinary Angels • 2:00 p.m. • Mulkey Theater



March 11 - 15

Donley County Senior Citizens Mon: Spaghetti & meatballs, garden salad, garlic toast, sliced peaches w/whipped topping, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Chicken fried steak, mashed potatoes, gravy, broccoli, whole wheat roll, cherry & pineapple crisp, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Enchilada casserole, tossed salad, pinto beans, Spanish rice, churro, iced tea/2% milk.

Thurs: Mushroom steak, baked potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, chocolate cake, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: BBQ beef on a bun, tater tots, coleslaw, chocolate chip cookie, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: BBQ glazed meatloaf, roasted red potatoes, mixed vegetables, apple crisp, whole wheat buttermilk biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Bacon ranch chicken, baked sweet potatoes, California blend vegetables, brown rice, peach parfait, whole wheat buttermilk biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Chicken fried steak w/country gravy, homemade mashed potatoes, country green beans w/bacon & onion, oatmeal cookies, iced tea/2% milk.

Thurs: Ginger & honey pork roast, homemade macaroni & cheese, chopped spinach, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Bacon cheeseburger on whole wheat bun, crispy tater tots, mixed green salad, rice Krispie treat, iced tea/2% milk.

Rodriguez powerlifts in Regional Meet

By Sandy Anderberg

Clarendon High School's Elyza Rodriguez earned a spot in the Regional Powerlifting meet last week and finished eighth in the 132pound weight class. Rodriguez has been lifting well all season long and gained valuable experience this

She was able to lift an overall weight total of 630 pounds. Rodriguez had a squat total of 240 pounds and bench-pressed an impressive 135 pounds. Rodriquez posted a 255-pound deadlift in the meet. She was only 165 pounds out of the firstplace lifter.

State financial aid priority deadline extended to April 15

The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB) has extended the state financial aid application priority deadline to April 15 due to continued technical challenges related to completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

In July 2023, the Board amended the rules regarding the financial aid priority deadline, providing Commissioner Harrison Keller with the authority to delay the priority deadline for a specific aid cycle. The original January deadline was previously extended to March 15. The priority deadline is neither a guarantee to receive funding if a student applies by the applicable date for the academic year, nor is it a restriction to those that apply beyond the date. It is meant to encourage students to complete their application promptly to increase the likelihood of receiving state funding.



Ring time

Clarendon High Schools class of 2025 recieved their class rings on Tuesday. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ROGER ESTLACK



Dr. Seuss' birthday all this week.

Shelbi Coles and Kennadie Cummins pitch for the Lady Broncos

last week during the Pampa tournament.

POSITIVE FEED SALES

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its regular Tuesday noon meeting March 5, 2024, with Boss Lion Pro Tem Richard Green in charge.

We had 11 members in person, one attending virtually, Sweetheart Emma Roys, and three guests – Ben and Ella Estlack and Hunter Caison, guests of Lion Roger Estlack.

The Boss Lion reminded everyone that election day was that day and encouraged everyone to vote.

The club voted to purchase timing equipment for the 5k instead of continuing to rent it every year. The club also voted to give \$200 to the Panhandle of Texas Lions Foundation for disaster relief in the wake of last week's wildfires in the northern Panhandle. Donations can be made to Panhandle Of Texas Lions Foundation, PO Box 489, Wheeler, TX 79096, and note "Disaster Relief" in the memo. The Texas Lions Foundation has already awarded two \$3,000 grants - one each to the Lions Clubs in Canadian and Borger, and the Lions Clubs International Foundation over the weekend announced a catastrophe grant of \$100,000 has been approved for the wildfires.

The Boss Lion said there are still open spots for the Texas Hold 'Em Tournament at the country club this Saturday. Call the club to sign up. Howardwick will hold a Easter Sunday pancake breakfast and community egg hunt.

The club agreed to help the ony Parents' community egg hunt on March 23 by gathering and stuffing plastic eggs with candy.

Lion Larry Capranica reminded everyone to set their clocks forward this Saturday night.

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





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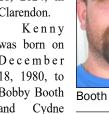
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Obituaries

Dalton "Kenny"

Booth, 43, of Clarendon, finished his race here on Earth on February 28, 2024, in Clarendon.

Kenny was born on December 18, 1980, to Bobby Booth and Cydne



Randall in Memphis. He graduated from Clarendon High School in

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 8, 2024, at the Community Fellowship Church in Clarendon with Josey Shadle officiating.

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

He was a loving brother, father, paw paw, and friend who loved without limits. The thrill of the dirt track ignited his passion, yet he found joy in the gentle rhythm of a simple life. His infectious smile and laughter touched countless hearts. He loved unconditionally and beamed with pride for his kids and grandkids. He was a man who held strong to his faith and never shied away from expressing his opinions. He was a tough guy and faced life's challenges head-on. He was truly one of a kind and his absence will be deeply felt.

He was preceded in death by some very special people whom he mourned until the end: his father, Bobby Booth; his mother, Cydne Randall; paternal grandparents, Kenneth and Shirley Booth; maternal grandparents, Dalton and Lucy Swinney.

He is survived by his two pride and joys who meant the world to him, his sons, Dylan Booth and wife Kaylee and Dalton Booth of Pampa; his brother, a true friend and confidant, Josh Allred and wife Tara of Clarendon; his nephew, Mason Allred of Clarendon; two precious grandbabies who bring so much happiness and light into the world, Bryson and Collin Booth of Pampa; his stepdad, David Randall of Clarendon; his dear friend, who walked beside him through life's ups and downs, Mary Booth of Pampa; his beloved dog, Ole Girl, a faithful companion and friend to the end; and aunts, uncles, cousins, and numerous

Durham

Donald Dean Durham, 90, of Howardwick, left this world behind on February 29, 2024, in Amarillo to be reunited with his loving wife Helen and beloved fur baby Angie.

Memorial Services were held on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, in the Robertson Funeral Directors Saints' Roost Chapel in Clarendon with Rev. Jim Fox, officiating.

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

Don was born August 7, 1933, to Christopher Columbus and Lottie May Durham in Liberty, Iowa. Don proudly served his country in the Navy as an Airedale in Alaska. He married the love of his life Helen Cox, on March 10, 1967, in Sycamore Illinois and began working for a local water treatment company. After demonstrating his knowledge

Don started Southwest Water Con-Don taught his children the meaning busy life." integrity. In 1990 Don and his wife where you can still here many stories regarding their parties, cookouts, and table game tournaments. There dren, Betty was an active member of the Durham house.

for his kind and giving heart. He delighted in decorating and needleenjoyed telling clever jokes, giving pointing. bits of wisdom, hugs and kisses, and passing out his homemade tiger tiful, and she always had the most fudge to new and old friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Helen Durham; son, Michael Durham; 14 siblings, Clyde Durham, Glen Durham, made covers for these huge stereo Catherine Brown, Harlod Durham, Esther Knaack, Cleo Phipps, Ken-Durham, Dorthy Pope, Juanita Crawford, Vivian McMurry, Alvin Durham, and Wanda Meyers; Sonin-law Bill Peterson; and a granddaughter Chandace Ritchie.

Gerold "Jerry" Durham; three back to Amarillo, Betty and Bobby sons, David and Trina Brown, Darrell Durham, Chris and Charlotte Durham; two daughters, Pamela started an entirely new chapter of Peterson and Jami and Sonja Steadman Kroschel; thirteen grandchildren, Tiandra Stogsdill, Heath "Nick" and Diana Dykes, Mackenzie and Shane Brown, Christian and Brooke Moore, Nathan and Danielle munity of friends and maintained an Moore, Whitney and Michael Morin, Addie Marcus, Angele and Chad Morgan, Gabrielle and James Robinson, Matthew Lunsford, Chasity and Wade Hudson, Corey Ritchie, Christhe esteemed firms Kuper Sotheby's lyn and Caden Farris; and twentyfour great grandchildren.

Don would have appreciated donations to World Gospel Missions, PO Box 948, Marion, IN 46952-0948, check memo Suzanne Gnaegy, WGM.org/SG in lieu of flowers, and votes for Donald Trump this Novem-

Boston

Elizabeth "Betty" Smith Boston's life began on October 22, 1948, and ended unexpectedly on December 2, 2023. She is survived by her son Robert William Boston III and her sister Julie

Dallas to Betty Jim Shelton (a stylish woman from a ranch-



and businessman nicknamed "Sleepy"), Betty grew up in Amarillo as the middle child between her older sister Julie and younger sister Janie. While attending Stephen F. Austin Middle School, Betty went on the first of many dates with her future husband Robert William Boston, whom she called Bobby.

For high school, Betty left Texas to attend the prestigious allgirls prep school Ferry Hall in Lake Forest, Illinois, and graduated in 1966. After studying interior design at Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, Betty returned home to Amarillo to help her then-divorced mother raise Janie.

In 1969, Betty and Bobby got married and moved to the quaint

and work ethic the company trans- Texas town of Clarendon. In 1975, ferred Don and his family to Ama- they welcomed their daughter Claire rillo in 1968. Being an entrepreneur into the world, followed by their son William in 1979. "She was a devoted ditioning in 1970, it was here that mother," Bobby said, "And we had a

In the winters, the Bostons Helen moved to Greenbelt Lake, frequently traveled to Cuernavaca, Mexico, where Bobby's parents lived. In the midst of raising chilwas always a good time to be had at both St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church and Les Beaux Arts Club Don will be mostly remembered of Clarendon. In her spare time, she

"Her homes were always beauexquisite decor," lifelong friend Elizabeth Wagner recalled. "And she was a needlepoint maniac. She needle-pointed everything — she even speakers that sat on the floor."

In the 1980s, Betty's zany sennith Durham, Lloyd Durham, Lester sibility materialized in a decidedly eccentric purchase: a green Checker Cab that made a bold statement in small-town Clarendon.

In 1991, tragedy struck the Boston family when Claire died in He is survived by one brother, a tragic accident. Following a move

> By the mid-1990s, Betty had her life. She relocated to San Antonio, earned her real estate license. and became one of the first residents at the Pearl. In tandem with her move, she forged a new comactive social calendar populated by art openings, concerts, dinners, and brunches with a tight-knit circle.

> Betty's experiences working at and Nix Reality heightened her passion for interior design — a skill that took shape in impeccable spaces she designed for clients and herself alike. Reflecting her mother's distinctive sense of style, Betty had a knack for creativity that ventured beyond tradition to explore unexpected combinations and possibilities. That adventurous spirit also influenced her wardrobe, in which she took great pride.

> "Betty could wear things that nobody else could wear," her dear friend Roxanne Strickland offered. "She had a fashion sense that was unbelievable. When I got married in 2018, Betty walked in wearing what looked like a burlap sack — with the perfect little bag and the perfect shoes to match — and she just rocked it."

> "She was just a natural," Betty's sister Julie echoed. "She could just put things together. She really

> Beyond her undeniable elegance, Betty was also an incredibly genuine, generous and kind person with a sharp sense of humor to boot. She loved to listen, learn and laugh with an open heart and mind that one could only dream of in a friend. While Betty was taken from us far too soon, her irreplaceable spirit will live among us through the memories and love we share.

> A celebration of Betty's life will be held on Friday, March 15, 4:00 -6:00 p.m., at Stable Hall at the Pearl in San Antonio (307 Pearl



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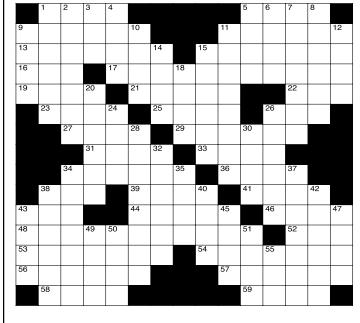


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- 5. Currently fashionable 9. Collision
- 11. More slim
- 13. European city
- 15. Implicitly
- 16. The side of something that is sheltered from the wind
- 17. The Mount Rushmore State 19. Gold or silver wire cord
- 21. Muscles along insects'
- diaphragm 22. Trent Reznor's band 23. Sweet juicy gritty-textured
- fruit
- 25. Broken branch 26. Indicates ten
- 27. Expression of annoyance 29. Brings together
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- 1. Baseball managers assemble it 26. Temperature unit 2. Revised
- 3. Mountain is a popular kind 4. Takes to civil court
- 5. Pouches
- 6. A type of veil
- 7. Chants
- 8. Boston hoopster
- 9. Elongated appendage
- 10. Sailboat
- 11. 2017 Oscar-winning film
- 12. Actor Gosling 14. Monetary units
- 15. Assembly
- 18. Russian pop duo
- 20. Embellished with expressions
- 24. Infrequent
- 30. Honk
- 28. Hydrophilic amino acid

31. Ancient city in Thrace

36. Muckraking woman journalist

46. Ancient Italian-Greek colony

33. Sailors' spirit

34. Looked into

38. A type of cast

43. Make a mistake

44. Semitic Sun god

52. A place to stay

54. Most supernatural

56. "Dennis" is a famous one

48. Beheaded

57. Ointments

59. Leaked blood

58. Exam

53. Unwise

39. One's responsibility

41. Where golfers begin

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- 32. Legislative body
- 34. Swinish
- 35. Russian assembly 37. Take over for
- 38. Put in advance
- 40. Satisfy
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Broncos Iose to Olton in overtime

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Broncos played a great season on the court but were stopped short of a repeat trip to the Regional Tournament by Olton. The Broncos ended their season in the Regional Quarterfinal round falling to the Mustangs 62-63.

Things were going the Broncos' way in the first half of play, but Olton was able to slow them down in the third quarter, which led to a 39-39 tie after three quarters of play. Missed shots and turnovers plagued the Broncos and the Mustangs were able to capitalize on mistakes. Olton was able to outscore the Broncos by four points to even the score. The final quarter of regulation was even down to the wire and the game went to overtime. The Broncos were defeated on a shot at the buzzer.

The Broncos were able to hit five three-pointers to only one from the Mustangs. Seniors Anthony Ceniceros and Lyric Smith put in two each from the arc and Jaxan McAnear added another. Both teams converted free throws at 75 percent. Smith nailed 11 of his 12 bonus points and Ceniceros hit three of four.

Smith and Ceniceros along with fellow seniors Levi Gates, Reagan Wade, Riley Wade, Jaxan McAnear, and newcomer Wes Shaw have been an important part of the Bronco team during their high school career and will be missed.

Bronco baseball in full swing

By Sandy Anderberg

The Bronco baseball team played three games last week as they dive into the 2024 season. The Broncos finished the games with a tie, a win, and a loss.

The Broncos met up against the Claude Mustangs and finished the game at five all after six innings. Easton Frausto was on the mound for four innings and allowed three hits, four runs, and struck out six. Jared Musick came in and pitched two innings and allowed three hits, one run, and two strike-outs.

On the offensive side, Frausto collected one run, two hits and an RBI, while Musick posted one hit in the game. Harrison Howard added one run, and third baseman Bryce Williams had one run, one hit, one RBI, and one stolen base. Lyric Smith had a run and two stolen bases and Levi Gates had one hit and 2 RBIs. Mason Sims had one stolen base and Shane Hagood had one run and one stolen base as the DH.

The Broncos won a huge second game of the Childress Tournament over Fritch 16-1. Howard was on the mound and allowed two hits and one run with nine strike outs. The Broncos found the sweet spot early in the game and only needed three innings to get the win.

The Broncos had their bats going with several players hitting the ball well. Musick had a big day at the plate with a single, double, and a homerun. Musick also posted three RBI and three runs. Gates had two singles, one RBI, and two runs. Braylon Rice saw some action with two singles, 1 RBI, three runs, and one stolen base.

The Broncos dropped a game to the host team at 5-7. They suffered a slow day at the plate and only mustered four hits and recorded four errors in the game. They were scoreless until the sixth inning when they put three runs on the board to tie the score.

Bryce Williams began the game pitching for three innings. Williams allowed three hits and two runs in his time on the mound. Braylon Rice came in for an inning and allowed five runs. Grant Haynes and Musick each took a turn at the helm.

The Broncos will play in the West Texas tournament March 7 and 8 in Borger. They will face off against Friona in the first game of the tourney.

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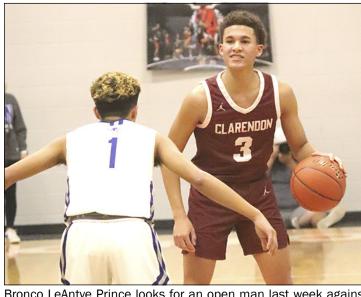
Bronco Lyric Smith dribbles last week against Olton.



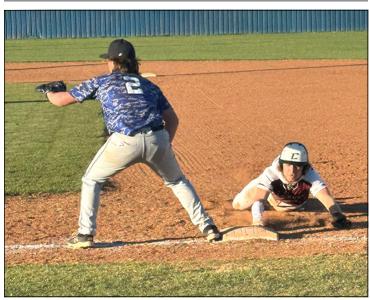


Bronco Mason Sims fights to put up a shot against the Olton defense.

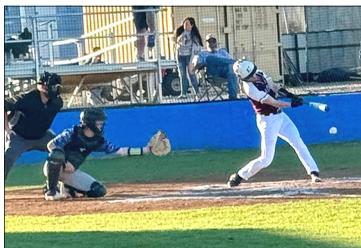
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Bronco LeAntye Prince looks for an open man last week against the Mustangs. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / ELAINA ESTLACK



Fritch tries hard to catch Bronco Jared Musick off the base last week in Childress. ENTERPRISE PHOTO / TARA ALLRED



Bronco Bryce Williams gets a hit last week. $_{\mathtt{ENTERPRISE\ PHOTO\ /\ TARA\ ALLRED}}$





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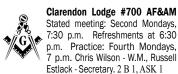
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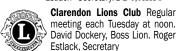
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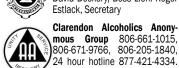


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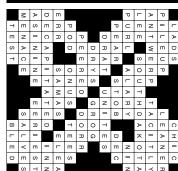


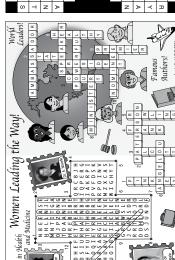
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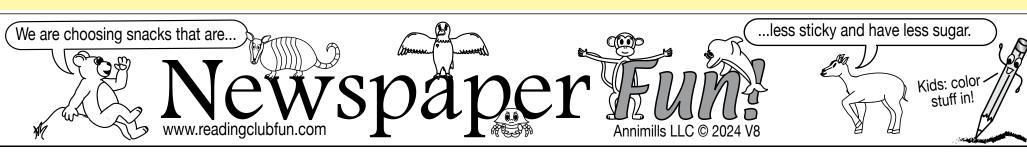


Yay for healthful snacking!

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By the way, those guys down there are the **plaque** pests, STICKY and DULL. They will be all over your teeth if you do not brush!

Treat Your Teeth Well!

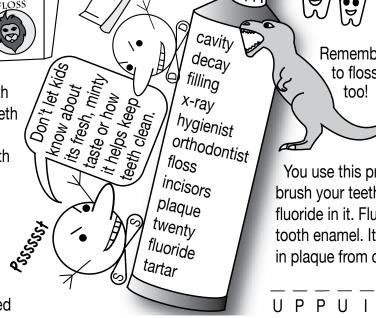
Do you know how to take good care of your teeth? Regular visits to your dentist and daily care will help your teeth last a lifetime! Sometimes you might get tired of brushing or want to "take a vacation" from flossing. But, keeping your teeth clean, healthy and shining brightly is an everyday responsibility.

Remember to:

- brush before breakfast and before bed
- floss daily
- go to your dentist for regular cleanings
- try not to eat too many
- sugary or sticky foods

Read the clues to fill in the crossword:

- 1. to take pictures of the inside of your teeth to see if they are healthy
- 2. material dentist uses to replace decayed part of tooth
- 3. dentist with special training to straighten crooked teeth
- 4. when a tooth is eaten away by chemical action
- 5. thin thread used daily for cleaning between your teeth 6. person trained to clean teeth is a dental
- 7. four top and four bottom front teeth used for biting
- 8. number of first or "baby" teeth
- 9. thin, sticky layer of bacteria that forms on teeth
- 10. chemical in teeth and bones 11. hole in tooth from decay
- 12. hard substance left on teeth if plaque is not removed



You use this product when you brush your teeth. It usually has fluoride in it. Fluoride strengthens tooth enamel. It helps stop bacteria in plaque from causing cavities.

Remember to brush

your teeth at least

twice a day to keep

those plaque pests

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Remember

to floss

too!

away!

To answer the What Is This? and Words of Wisdom puzzles, look at each letter given, then write the letter that comes before it in the alphabet.

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of the Hedley National Honor Society as well as the collegiate honor society. He has participated and set several state records in the United States Powerlifting Association in the 13-18-year-old division. He plans to attend West Texas A&M University and study engineering next fall.

Flor Silvestre was named the Young Woman of the Year from Hedley. She is a member of the Hedley Lady Owls basketball team. She was crowned as the 2023 Hedley High School Homecoming Queen. She enjoys reading, sleeping, listening to music, and hanging out with friends and family.

This year's Chamber banquet followed a 1970s "Peace Love Local" theme with many in attendance dressing the part and was catered by Great Western Dining. Approximately 185 people attended the event, which was held in the Bairfield Activity Center.

Entertainment for the evening was provided by the band "Geezers Gone Wild" of Amarillo and Borger.

Tables were sponsored by the City of Clarendon, City of Howardwick, Clarendon College, The Clarendon Enterprise, Diamond K Horses, Donley County State Bank, Donley County Senior Citizens, Herring Bank, Pilgrim Bank, Saints' Roost Museum, and Shelton & Shelton Law Offices.

Chamber President Ashlee Estlack named the Donley County Senior Citizens as having the Best Dressed Table during the banquet.

Estlack noted that for more than 100 years, the Clarendon Chamber of Commerce has strived to improve our community.

was founded many years before, this July will mark the 100th anniversary of us chartering as a non-profit organization with the State of Texas," she said.

This year's corporate sponsors were Best Western Red River Inn; Budweiser; The Clarendon Enterprise; Country Bloomers Flowers & Gifts; Greenbelt Electric Cooperative, Inc.; Greenbelt Water Authority; Liberty Electric, Plumbing, Construction & Heating & Air; REFZ Sports Bar & Grill; and Robertson Funeral Directors.





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A group of Hedley Junior High and High School girls attended the "Although our organization Introduce a Girl to Engineering on Feb. 22 in Amarillo. The conference was put on by Pantex and Women in Nuclear for junior high and high school girls. Shown here are Cristina Sylvestre, Sadie Trent, and Lily Stasio.

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