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Voters turn down all CCISD bond proposals H'wick okays county sales tax; Hedley re-elects Mayor

Voters turned out in large numbers Saturday and defeated \$11.7 million in bonds for Clarendon CISD and turned down two of the three sales tax districts proposed by Donley County.

CCISD voters rejected all three bond proposals on the school ballot. Proposition A was defeated: 244 "For" to 356 "Against." It would have allowed \$1.8 million for safety and security upgrades and the school as well as two new buses. Proposition B was defeated: 194 "For"

to 411 "Against." It would have provided \$6.9 million in improvements at Bronco Stadium. Proposition C was turned down 217 "For" and 384 "Against." It would have funded \$3 million for a new vocational ag building.

CCISD voters also re-elected Wayne Hardin to the Board of Trustees and selected Taylor Shelton to be a new board member. Vote totals for the two board seats were: Hardin 304, Shelton 472, and Ken McIntosh 117. City of Hedley residents re-elected Mayor

Trisha Chambless over challenger Calvin Holland, 36-20. Incumbent Aaron Hanes will be joined by John Pierce on the city council as the top choices of Hedley voters for two seats on the city council. Vote totals were Hanes 33, Pierce 30, and Joe Pafume 14.

Hedley voters also turned down the creation of County Assistance District #2, which would have levied a 1.0 percent sales tax in the city to help fund the Donley County Sheriff's Department. The proposal was defeated 11

"For" and 42 "Against."

The City of Howardwick, however, approved the creation of County Assistance District #1 by a vote of 40 "For" and 12 "Against." That district would also levy a 1.0 percent sales tax to assist law enforcement.

Rural Donley County voters narrowly turned down levying a 2.0 percent sales tax in unincorporated areas of the county and defeated creation of County Assistance District #3 by a tally of 101 "For" to 111 "Against."

Sheriff lists phone numbers for office

The Donley County Sheriff's Office would like to inform the public that in the event of a phone outage, a cell phone is available to reach the sheriff's office.

Sheriff Butch Blackburn says 911 will always be available, but for administrative calls people can usually dial 806-874-3533 or 806-874-3534. However, in the event of a landline outage, the department has a cell number, 806-277-0414, people can call for administrative purposes.

Arts exhibit being held at Stocking's

Les Beaux Arts Club Elementary Art & Pottery Showcase is continuing this week through Sunday, May 12, at the Stocking Ice Cream Parlor.

The art showcase honors Clarendon Elementary students, Clarendon Junior High pottery students, and local adult pottery students.

These projects are all co-sponsored in part by the Clarendon Consolidated Independent School District, J&W Lumber, A Fine Feathered Nest, and the Clarendon Economic Development Corporation.

Christ's Kids needs summer volunteers

The Christ's Kids Ministry is in need of volunteers to help with the summer lunch program.

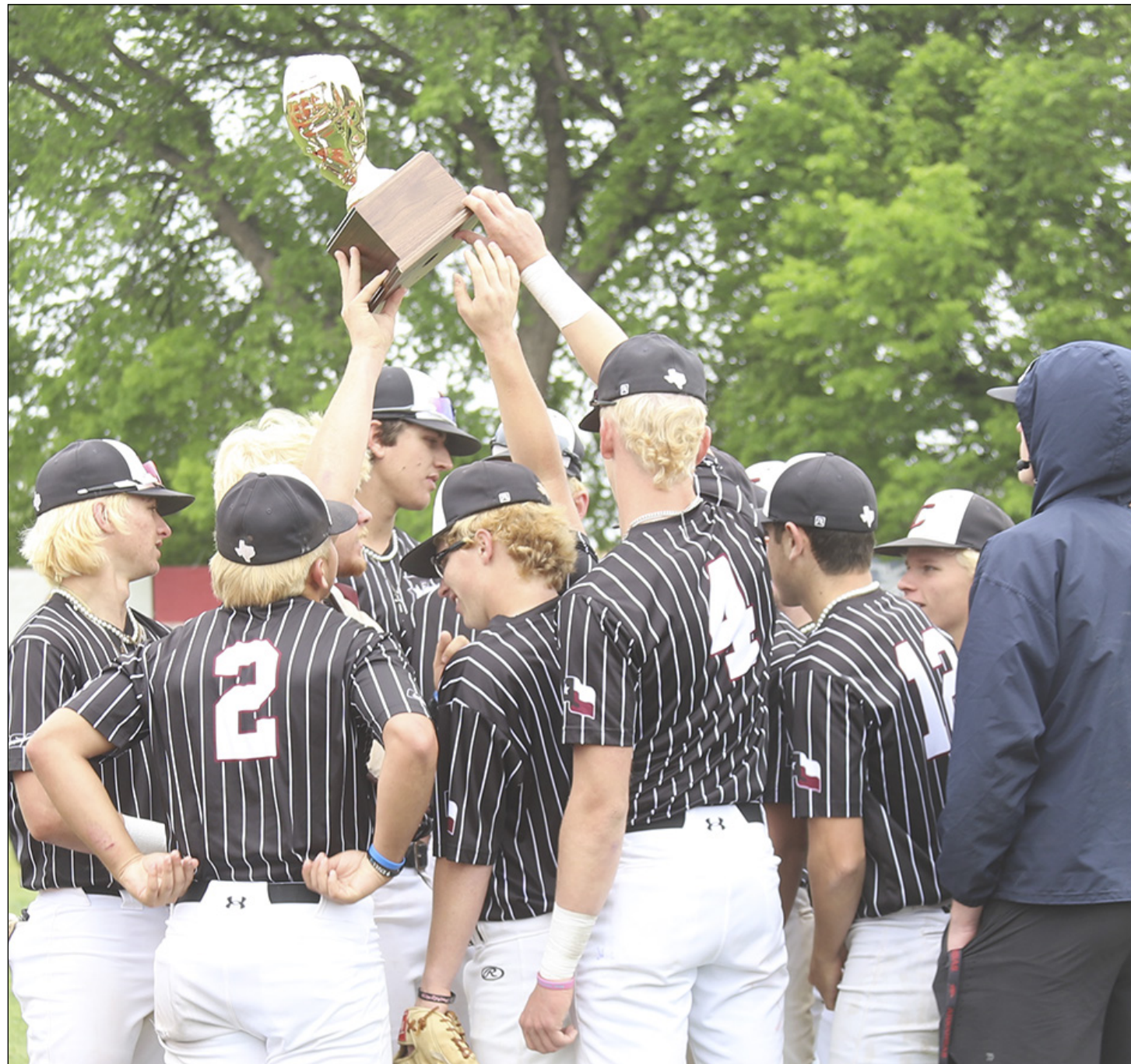
There will be volunteer meetings May 13 and May 16 at 7 p.m. at the ministry, 416 S. Kearney, for those interested. You only need to attend one meeting to get the information you need.

For more information, contact Felicia Atkinson at 806-205-1096 or Bobby Ellerbrook at 806-662-7650.

Elementary hosting future students

Clarendon Elementary will be holding Future Kindergarten Visitation on Friday, May 10th, from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Future students will visit the classroom and be served a free lunch.

If you know of a child who will be 5 by September 1, 2024, please call the Elementary Office (806-874-3855) with their name, phone number, and mailing address.



Bi-District Champions

The Clarendon Broncos secured the Bi-District Championship with a come-from-behind win in game two of the series against West Texas High last Saturday in Amarillo. Broncos will play Sudan this week for the Area title. See complete coverage on page six.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / TARA ALLRED

Early morning fire destroys Clarendon home

The Clarendon Volunteer Fire Department responded to a house fire in the 800 block of Johns Street in the early morning hours of Thursday, May 2, and the property was a total loss.

Fire Chief Jeremy Powell said the department was dispatched at 4:43 a.m. and arrived on the scene within about six minutes to find the home of Terry Sims fully engulfed.

Sims had made it out of the house, and Powell said it was likely that the fire had been burning 15 or 20 minutes before the call went out. Fire fighters worked to keep the fire from spreading to other nearby structures.

CVFD responded with four trucks and 12 firefighters and had the blaze knocked down by 5:15. They remained on the scene until 7:30 a.m.

Powell said the house was burned so badly and so completely that the department was not able to determine a possible cause.

Red Cross personnel were contacted to help Mrs. Sims following the loss of her home.



Firemen work to control flames at a Clarendon home last Thursday morning, May 2. ENTERPRISE PHOTO

Garage sale event to be held June 1

Sign-ups are now open for the 19th annual Trash To Treasures garage sale event to be held Saturday, June 1.

Residents who wish to participate in this year's "Trash To Treasures" are asked to contact the Enterprise before 5 p.m. on Friday, May 24, to sign up for the promotion.

For just \$25, each household will get a 50-word advertisement in the Big-E Classifieds and the exclusive "Trash To Treasures" garage sale signs. In addition, the Enterprise will print a city map the week of the event indicating the location of each sale and will promote the county-wide garage sale in area newspapers and radio ads as well as on social media and digital platforms.

In addition to garage sales, non-profits and youth groups can also hold fundraising cookouts and events and be included on the map as part of this great day in our community.

"The more people who have garage sales during Trash To Treasures, the better everyone will do," said Roger Estlack, publisher of The Clarendon Enterprise which sponsors the event. "Sign-up fees cover the cost of area advertising, so we can reach more people and have better attendance if we have a larger number of sales."

The City of Clarendon requires all garage sales to be permitted. There is no charge for the permit, but City Hall asks all Trash To Treasures participants to go by a get a permit and a copy of the city's rules governing garage sales.

For more information about the annual Trash To Treasures garage sale event, call 874-2259 or come by the Enterprise office at 105 S. Kearney.

City will meet at Mulkey on May 9

The Clarendon City Council meeting scheduled this Thursday, May 9, at 5:30 p.m. will be held at the Mulkey Theatre due to a larger than usual crowd expected for an agenda item related to abortion.

A proposed ordinance to make Clarendon a "Sanctuary City for the Unborn" is 17 pages long and can be read at ClarendonLive.com.

Other agenda items for Thursday night include electing a new mayor pro-tem, setting a curfew for Prospect Park, setting a non-residents charge for the Citizens Convenience Center, and appointment of a new city representative on the Greenbelt Water Authority Board among other items.



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City should skip acting on proposal

The hardest thing for anyone to do is often standing up for what is right when it is unpopular to do so. That's the position the Clarendon City Council will find itself in Thursday night, May 9, when the subject of abortion will again be on the city agenda.

Abortion is illegal in Texas, and that isn't going to change in the foreseeable future. Nationally, the Supreme Court now holds that abortion is a matter left up to the states, which is what President Trump wants, and that also is unlikely to change. But that's not keeping activist Mark Lee Dickson from his crusade to "ban abortion" by getting cities to pass ordinances to become "Sanctuary Cities for the Unborn."

The proposed ordinance Dickson sent to Clarendon city officials last month is 17 pages long, declares abortion to be unlawful except to save the life of the mother (rape and incest are not exceptions), bans abortion in the city, prohibits abortions being performed for Clarendon residents anywhere in the world, prohibits the sale and possession of certain drugs in the city, and seeks to prevent people from coming through Clarendon to get an abortion. Enforcement of the ordinance is basically left up to citizens policing each other and filing lawsuits against each other and/or abortion providers. That's the short version. The entire proposal is posted on our website here: <https://www.clarendonlive.com/news/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/SCFTU.pdf>. I encourage you to read it.

It is a far-reaching ordinance which seems to vastly overstep the city's authority, but at the end of the day, it probably doesn't even matter. The legality of abortion has been and will be decided by state and federal authorities. So, what's the purpose behind all this?

Dickson is a longtime anti-abortion activist. According to his movement's website, 69 cities have passed ordinances to "outlaw abortion" and become Sanctuary Cities for the Unborn. Two of those cities have since reversed that action. He even has a bigtime attorney who has represented President Trump and who promises to represent the city if it gets sued. If Clarendon passes the Dickson ordinance, it will be just another notch in his belt. The real consequence though is the division the proposal creates in the community, the introduction of partisan politics into local government, and the waste of taxpayers' money and resources as city employees deal with the drama Dickson brings to town.

Last month, city council members had only a few days before their regular meeting to be introduced to the Sanctuary ordinance. They heard from a couple of people who properly filled out the public comment forms, and then the council prudently took no action on the ordinance to learn more about it. Before this month's agenda was even set, the city was bombarded with emails and phone calls – some of them hateful in their tone – seeking to get the item back on the agenda. City employees have been put under immense stress as they try to deal with this issue, they have had to take time away from their other duties, and legal opinions have been sought. How much has this cost the city already in terms of money and lost productivity?

Abortion has nothing to do with running the City of Clarendon. We elect our mayor and city council and then they hire employees to do important things that affect our daily lives. Their priorities are to make sure the streets are fixed, see to it the trash is collected, maintain a water system, and provide a host of other city services. At this time, they should be making sure the aquatic center is ready to open in a few weeks, working on implementation of the next downtown revitalization grant, figuring out how to deal with the TxDOT's upcoming replacement of the US 287 bridge at Kearney Street (and relocation/replacement of the sewer line there), stopping vandals from destroying the rock walls of our city park, and the list goes on and on. These are the things that the city council should be focused on instead of wasting their time on an issue that the city literally has no control over.

But instead of dealing with our real city issues, Dickson and his followers are hijacking the city agenda, forcing people to take sides, creating stress where it is not warranted, and, in some cases, behaving in a markedly un-Christian manner. Sowing the seeds of division and hatred are not how Jesus would act. If you want to minister from a point of love and compassion and promote alternatives to abortion, that's one thing. But if you want to whip up controversy, start acting hysterical, and ignite arguments between our residents, then you just need to take that show down the road. What would Jesus do? Not this.

Thursday's city council meeting is scheduled to be held at 5:30 p.m. in the Mulkey Theatre. The city is expecting a large crowd to attend. Abortion is probably the single most controversial issue in America, with vocal groups on both ends of the spectrum and many people landing in some shade of gray in the middle. Regardless of what comments are made at the city meeting, it is unlikely that anyone will change their personal position on the issue.

The challenge for the city council is to remember that they represent all the citizens of Clarendon, regardless of their personal position on this issue, and to also be mindful that this is not a pressing matter requiring the city's attention. There will be pressure to pass this ordinance, but the appropriate thing is for no action to be taken. Keep partisan politics out of our city business and let our council and city employees get on with the business of serving our community.



editor's commentary
by roger estlack

Can the US Postal Service be rescued?

With news of incivility, protests and disruption gobbling up radio and television air time and dominating front-page newspaper articles, many of us are in a state of perpetual tension. What will tomorrow bring?

It's tough to find even a sprig of a smile, but heaven knows my ancient Uncle Mort is trying his best to hack his way through an underbrush of chaotic unrest to find that sprig.

"About the only thing positive coming out of all of this is that the U.S. Postal Service may be able to back off on its request for a second increase this year," Mort said, noting stamps may cost 73 cents each come July....

I couldn't immediately comprehend any connection between the cost of postage stamps and turmoil that has erupted on a hundred or so college and university campuses throughout the country.

I felt sure, though, that my uncle would 'splain it to me, and sure enough, he did.

"I figure that hundreds of thousands of prospective college graduates already have sent out invitations to their commencement exercises," he opined. "Now, many of them will be sending out second mailings, indicating that they are canceled. Surely this unexpected postal income will take at least a small bite from the \$6 billion shortfall."....

My uncle's cut-to-the-chase pronouncement is trivial, of course. Legions of Americans are stunned that outcries of a distinct minority are disrupting daily lives of a vast majority.

During my undergraduate days in the 1950s, my late president, a beloved

Christian patriot named Dr. Guy D. Newman, reminded us regularly during chapel programs about the fragility of a democracy.

An ongoing warning was to protect the Declaration of Independence, emphasizing that democracies depend on the consent of the governed. (Benjamin Franklin once observed that a democracy has to be more than two wolves and one lamb deciding on what to have for lunch.)....

Dr. Newman often quoted Hiram Mann's short poem, this version paraphrased:

"No one escapes when freedom fails. The best folks rot in filthy jails. And those who've screamed, 'appease, appease,' are hanged by those they tried to please."

Oh, 'tis true, 'tis true....
To end many sermons, Dr. Newman would quote Psalm 121:1-2, "I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." (KJV)

Let us who claim to be Christians make this central to our prayers. The prophet Isaiah offered still more advice in Chapter I, verse 18: "Come now, let us reason together."

It is never too late to be reasonable, but rules established by the will of the people must never be tossed aside. When



the idle american
by don newbury

they are, consequences are in order....

Let us be prayerful that all graduates who cross stages to accept diplomas and degrees remember that each document includes both rights and responsibilities.

Let us seek joyous graduation moments for the honorees and give thanks for loved ones who made their educational pilgrimages possible. And for the few Americans who received graduation invitations for whom commencement exercises have been canceled, let 'em keep the presents, even if addressed to "occupant."....

Finally, may the late Dr. Theodore Geisel, better known to the world as "Dr. Seuss," again be acknowledged for what is believed to be the shortest commencement address ever. He called it, "My Uncle Terwilliger on the Art of Eating Popovers."

My uncle ordered popovers from the restaurant's bill of fare.

When they were served he regarded them with a penetrating stare. Then he spoke great words of wisdom as he sat there

on his chair: 'To eat these things,' said my uncle, 'You must exercise great care. You may swallow down what's solid....

But you must spit out the air!... And as you partake of the world's bill of fare, that's good advice to follow. Do a lot of spitting out of hot air. And be careful what you swallow.'....

Dr. Newbury is a longtime public speaker and former university president who is Texas' longest-running syndicated columnist, now in 23rd year.



Mental health resources for older adults

From the HHSC Behavioral Health and Aging Workgroup

Engaging in healthy behaviors as we age can help ensure we experience the best quality of life possible. That also means taking care of our mental health.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, approximately 20% of people 55 and older experience some type of mental health concern. The most common are anxiety, severe cognitive impairment and mood disorders, such as depression or bipolar disorder.

By engaging in regular physical activity, having a healthy diet, staying connected to the community and being informed of available resources, we can help to improve our mental health. With May being Mental Health Month, it is a great time to learn about resources available to support mental health.

There are numerous state and federal resources that can help us take care of our mental health.

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) Adult Mental Health program provides information and resources to assist adults with mental health concerns. Resources include the Mental Health in Older Adults sheet, which provides guidance

on preventing suicide among older adults.

The HHSC Turn To campaign connects Texans with resources that promote behavioral health and healthy alternatives to substance use. The campaign's Turn To Check-In is a five-minute questionnaire intended to help people understand what might be affecting their mental and behavioral health and provide detailed information about available resources and services.

HHSC Texercise supports older Texans who want to set physical activity and nutrition goals — both of which contribute toward improving mental health.

HHSC Age Well Live Well provides resources for individuals and communities to prepare for all aspects of aging, including how to stay connected, which helps improve our mental health. Use the Aging Well Resources Order Form and search "Social Engagement" in the category field.

Mental Health Texas provides information and resources on mental health for all ages. Information is provided for a variety of populations, conditions and more.

The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

(SAMHSA) is the federal agency that leads public health efforts to advance behavioral health, including information on and resources for improving mental health among older adults.

The National Institute of Mental Health offers information and resources for mental health, including symptoms of mental disorders in older adults.

There are several hotlines available for those going through a mental health crisis:

The 988 Suicide & Crisis Line is available 24/7 and provides free and confidential emotional support to people in suicidal crisis or emotional distress. Call or text 988 to connect with a trained crisis counselor. Support is also available via live chat.

The Veterans Crisis Line is a free, confidential resource for veterans of all ages and circumstances. Call 988 then press 1, text 838255, or chat online to connect with 24/7 support.

The SAMHSA Disaster Distress Line Helpline provides immediate crisis counseling for people experiencing emotional distress related to any natural or human-caused disaster. The helpline is free, multilingual, confidential and available 24/7. Call or text 800-985-5990.

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Close call

A storm system produced a large tornado southwest of Clarendon last Wednesday afternoon, May 1. Sirens blared for about an hour in town as citizens took cover. Fire Chief Jeremy Powell said the twister was on the ground on the Thornberry Ranch for at least 15 to 20 minutes but stayed in the pasture. Other rotation was also spotted during the storm, and hail damage was reported in several areas.

COURTESY PHOTO / DAVID DOCKERY



CC inducts new PTK members

Clarendon College inducted new members into its Iota Phi chapter of Phi Theta Kappa last week. PTK is the honor society for community college students. CC students joining PTK were Jayden Bagwell, Liam Branigan, Kyla Crawford, Constance Elder, Benjamin Estlack, Daniel Estlack, Sawyer Francix, Easton Frausto, Aubrey Ivey, Chancelly Madewell, Andrea Manzanares, Amanda McClain, Kayleigh Rayne McCord, Madilynn Nichols, Tad Pshigoda, Mallorie Schlessman, Ginnie Siefkas, Antonio Soria, and David Young.

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Family connections

A newspaper family reunion of sorts was held at The Enterprise last Wednesday when Robert Blake of Mount Airy, North Carolina, paid a visit to publisher Roger Estlack. Blake is the great-grandson of W.P. Blake, who published the local newspaper from 1898 to 1909. Blake continued in the printing business and later sold out to Estlack's great-grandfather, J.C. Estlack in the 1920s.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO

Catholic Charities receives \$12K Grant to support legal refugees

Catholic Charities of the Texas Panhandle is pleased to announce that it has been awarded a generous grant of \$12,000 from the Texas Bar Foundation. This funding will support the provision of pro bono legal services to legal immigrants and refugees in Amarillo and the upper 26 counties of the Texas Panhandle who are unable to afford attorney's fees.

Since its inception in 1965, the Texas Bar Foundation has awarded more than \$27 million in grants to law-related programs. Supported by members of the State Bar of Texas, the Texas Bar Foundation is the nation's largest charitably-funded bar foundation.

"This grant from the Texas Bar Foundation will significantly strengthen our ability to provide essential legal assistance to those in need within our community," said Jeff Gulde, Executive Director of Catholic Charities of the Texas Panhandle. "We are grateful for their continued support of our mission to serve the vulnerable and underserved populations in our region."

The grant period will run from May 2022 through April 2023. Eligibility for these services will be determined based on poverty guidelines set by the US Government at the 100 percent level as of January 2022.

For more information or to inquire about eligibility and appointments, contact Jovita McGee at Catholic Charities of the Texas Panhandle: 806-376-4571.

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The child further inquired, 'But tell me, here in heaven I don't have to do anything but sing and smile to be happy.' God said, 'Your angel will sing for you and will also smile for you. And you will feel your angel's love and be very happy.'

Again the child asked, 'And how am I going to be able to understand when people talk to me if I don't know the language?' God said, 'Your angel will tell you the most beautiful and sweet words you will ever hear, and with much patience and care, your angel will teach you how to speak.'

'And what am I going to do when I want to talk to you?' God said,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart"
Jeremiah 1:5

'Your angel will place your hands together and will teach you how to pray.'
'Who will protect me?' God said, 'Your angel will defend you even if it means risking its life.'
'But I will always be sad because I will not see you anymore.' God said, 'Your angel will always talk to you about Me and will teach you the way to come back to Me, even though I will always be next to you.'

At that moment there was much peace in Heaven, but voices from Earth could be heard and the child hurriedly asked, 'God, if I am to leave now, please tell me my angel's name.'
God said, 'You will simply call her, 'Mom.'

¿Qué Pasa?
Community Calendar

May 9 & 10
Broncos v. Sudan @ Floydada • Game One: Thursday 5/9 @ 5:00 p.m. • Game Two: Saturday 5/10 @ 5:00 p.m. • Game Three (if needed): Following Game Two

May 10 & 11
Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes • 7:30 p.m. • Mulkey Theater

May 11
Howardwick Citywide Garage Sale • Call City Hall for details or to be added to the map, 874-2222.

May 12
Kingdom of the Planet of the Apes • 2:00 p.m. • Mulkey Theater

May 25
Clarendon Aquatics Center Season Opening • 1:00 p.m.

June 1
Trash to Treasures Garage Sale Event. Multiple garage sales in and near Clarendon starting at 8 a.m. • Maps available at ClarendonLive.com the week of the event. Sales must register by May 24 • Call 874-2259 to sign up.

Menus
May 13 - 17

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Chicken alfredo, broccoli & cauliflower, garden salad, garlic breadstick, lemon cake, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Goulash, mixed greens, cornbread, peanut butter bar, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Chicken enchiladas, pinto beans, side salad, Spanish rice, black forest parfait, iced tea/2% milk.

Thurs: Ham, pinto beans, sweet potatoes, cucumbers & onions, cornbread, sliced pears, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: BBQ beef sandwich, tater tots, coleslaw, chocolate chip cookies, apricots, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens

Mon: Baked ziti w/Italian sausage, oven roasted parmesan potatoes, buttered carrots, Amish sugar cookies, garlic bread, iced tea/2% milk.

Tue: Baked chicken w/onion gravy, broccoli, cheese & rice casserole, buttered carrots & peas, apple crisp, whole wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Chicken fried steak, country gravy, homemade mashed potatoes, broccoli & cauliflower, cranberry swirl cake, whole wheat roll, iced tea/2% milk.

Thurs: Cheese & spinach stuffed meatloaf, baked sweet potato, garlic green beans, homemade sugar cookies, whole wheat buttermilk biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Chili cheese dog on whole wheat bun, steak fries, garden salad, no bake cookies, iced tea/2% milk.

Clarendon CISD

Breakfast
Mon: Muffin, yogurt, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

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

Wed: Breakfast sandwich, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

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

Fri: No School

Lunch

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

Tues: Sloppy Joe, salsa, beans, cucumbers, ice cream cup, fruit, milk.

Wed: Grilled cheese sandwich, animal crackers, carrots, celery, fruit, milk.

Thu: Tex-Mex stack, broccoli, corn, fruit, milk.

Fri: No School

Hedley ISD

Breakfast
Mon: Pancakes, bacon, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Tues: Breakfast sandwich, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Wed: Waffles, sausage, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Thu: Big bites sandwich, fruit juice, fruit, milk.

Fri: No School

Lunch

Mon: Breaded drumstick, biscuit, garden salad, tomatoes, apples, fruit, milk.

Tues: Frito pie, beans, veggie cup, pineapple, cookie, fruit, milk.

Wed: Pepperoni pizza, broccoli, marinara sauce, cinnamon applesauce, fruit, milk.

Thu: PBJ sandwich, cheese stick, cucumbers, baby carrots, peaches, crackers, fruit, milk.

Fri: No School



Noah Curry enjoys field day at Hedley ISD.

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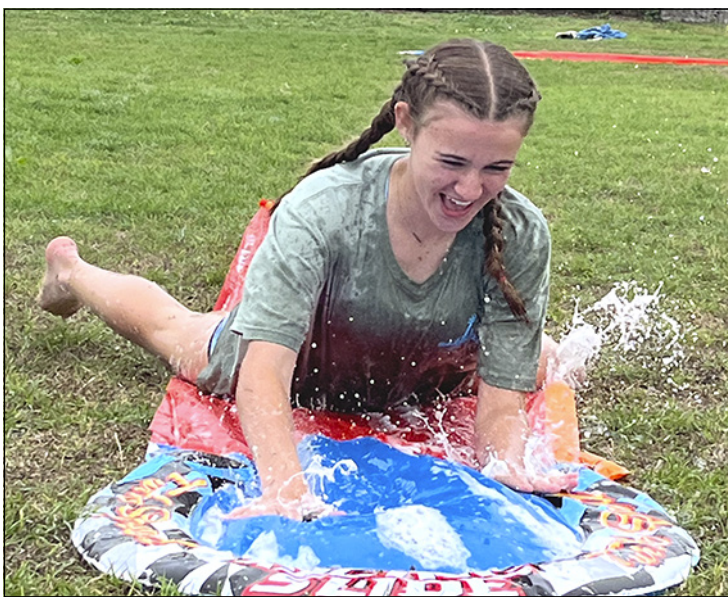
Pre K student Grayson Tapp at field day.

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Damien Lewis enjoys field day at Hedley School.

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Kaitin Ehlert demonstrates the slip and slide at Hedley field day.

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Mark your calendars for That Senior Thang

The Donley County Senior Citizens Center has been here almost 50 years and we are working on compiling our history. If you have any pictures or fun memories, please bring them by the center or share them with a committee member.

The center was established as a place where senior citizens come to find a friendly face, someone who cares, and to keep their mind alert and their spirits up, as well as their dietary needs met. It is no secret that they welcome everyone from all ages. Meals are served Monday thru Friday from 11:30 to 12:30 for a donation of \$5.00 for senior citizens and only \$7.00 for younger persons.

The Senior Center is run on Grants, donations and fund-raisers. It is imperative that the community support this center.

You are invited to come join us at That Senior Thang "FAM FEST." This event is a fun-filled family night for everyone in Donley County and beyond. Mark your calendars and join the street party to show support for one of our oldest and most needed organizations in Donley County. Watch Facebook for details on the event.

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Hedley High School held their NHS induction ceremony last week.

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Celebrating 79226

Tara Allred, Madeliene Black, and Jowlene Weiss show off the new Clarendon t-shirts that are available at the Visitor Center. The shirts are \$25 each and are available in a variety of colors.

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Scottish Rite Learning Center holds graduation

One of the best kept secrets in the Panhandle is the Scottish Rite Learning Center of West Texas nestled in the heart of Amarillo. The Learning Center is where hundreds of teachers and students learn better ways to handle reading difficulties, specifically Dyslexia.

The program's director, June Hoffman, said, "We can offer our services free-of-charge because of the generous support from the Freemasons and local philanthropist, Glen Ashton."

On May 5th at River Road High School, the center hosted its annual graduation of its students and teachers. Yes, that's right! Teachers also attend lessons at the center to become licensed Therapists and Qualified Instructors.

While the younger students are more local, the teachers come from all over the Texas Panhandle, New Mexico, Colorado, and Oklahoma. Over 250 people were in attendance to celebrate the graduates.

The program is an after-school program; it is one hour each day, four days per week for two years.

One student, Seth Davis, has gained tremendous confidence in his reading ability and is now even reading aloud in front of his classmates. Seth's mother said, "Everything that the Learning Center has done for Seth and my family is nothing short of a Blessing."

To enroll your child into the Amarillo Learning Center, contact Carla Parker at (806) 350-7669 the Learning Center has a century's worth of experience with helping students learn and build confidence. Hoffman, is a retired elementary school teacher with nearly 40 years of experience and Carla Parker is a retired Dyslexia teacher who is graduating as a Qualified Instructor.

To date, there have been approximately 40 teachers who have graduated from the Amarillo campus. They are now helping students in many school districts better learn how to read, bolster their confidence, and gain self-esteem.

Any teacher or administrator who wants more information on how s/he can become better trained, is encouraged to contact Mrs. Parker.

The Scottish Rite Learning Center in Amarillo is an outgrowth of the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children in Dallas, which was established in 1921. Since 1965, the hospital has been an active research center for reading disorders. Both the Texas Scottish Rite Hospital for Children and the Shriners Children's Hospital are fully supported by Freemasons. If you know a child in need, ask your doctor or call Khiva Shrine or the West Texas Scottish Rite Learning Center.

the lion's tale
by roger estlack

The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting May 7, 2024, with Boss Lion David Dockery in charge.

We had nine members present, one member online, Sweetheart Emma Roys, and three guests this week. Ella and Ben Estlack and Hunter Caison were the guests of Lion Roger Estlack.

Lion Roger reminded everyone of next week's state convention and encouraged Lions to come help with the service project for the weekend.

Lion Machiel Covey said city officials would be sworn in at this week's city council meeting at the Mulkey Theatre, and Sweetheart Emma updated the club on school activities.

Upcoming flag service projects were also brought up.

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

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- CLUES ACROSS**
1. It wakes you up
 6. A place to sleep
 9. Czech village
 13. Appetizer
 14. African country
 15. Dark brown or black
 16. Parent-teacher groups
 17. Saturates
 18. ESPN personality Kimes
 19. Songs to a lover
 21. Cavalry-sword
 22. Begat
 23. Patriotic women
 24. Famed Princess
 25. One who does not conform
 28. Neither
 29. Nigerian monetary unit
 31. Body parts
 33. Hit Dave Matthews Band song
 36. Depicts with pencil
 38. Make into leather without tannin
 39. Plants grow from them
 41. Alias
 44. Fingers do it
 45. More dried-up
 46. Clod
 48. Senior officer
 49. A way to listen to music
 51. The bill in a restaurant
 52. Historic center of Artois region
 54. Cyprinid fishes
 56. Poisonous perennial plant
 60. Scottish Loch
 61. Heads
 62. Extra seed-covering
 63. Wings
 64. Britpop band
 65. Forearm bones
 66. Small immature herring
 67. Female sibling
 68. Hymn

- CLUES DOWN**
1. Vipers
 2. Not on time
 3. Resembling a wing or wings
 4. Tears down
 5. Professional designation
 6. Noise a sheep made
 7. Type of lodge
 8. Speak poorly of
 9. Ties the knot again
 10. Apron
 11. Studied intensively
 12. City in Finland
 14. One who monitors
 17. 18-year astronomical period
 20. Trent Reznor's band
 21. Takes to the sea
 23. Split pulses
 25. Valentine's Day color
 26. Wyatt
 27. Type of rail
 29. One from the Big Apple
 30. Asteroids
 32. Made more sugary
 34. Change in skin pigment
 35. Mild yellow Dutch cheese
 37. Koran chapters
 40. A place to relax
 42. Young woman ready for society life
 43. Female horses
 47. Half of Milli Vanilli
 49. Icelandic poems
 50. Indiana town
 52. Golden peas
 53. Closes tightly
 55. It's mined in mountains
 56. Cliff (Hawaii)
 57. Ribosomal ribonucleic acid
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 59. Primordial matter
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 65. Rise

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Broncos claim Bi-District championship against WT

By Sandy Anderberg

Clarendon senior Harrison Howard took the mound in the Broncos' Bi-District opener against West Texas in Amarillo at Palo Duro High last week and made easy work of the Comanches shutting them out 8-0.

Howard went wire to wire from the mound posting 16 strikeouts in the game. It took Howard 100 pitches in the seven innings which consisted of 63 pitches in the strike zone.

In their first at bat, Easton Frausto got on board first on a single to left field. Jared Musick grounded out before Levi Gates singled to left field and scored Howard. A quiet second inning led to one score and the Broncos were on top 3-0.

Another two runs were collected in the fourth when Howard slammed a triple that scored Mason Sims and Musick. The Broncos went wild in the fifth inning as they took advantage of several errors made by WT and left the inning with three more runs to get the win.

Along with his triple, Howard had one single, three RBIs, one run and a stolen base. Frausto had two singles, one RBI, one run, and one stolen base, while Levi Gates added a single, RBI, and one run. Bryce Williams and Mason Allred collected one run each and Allred had one RBI.

The big test came in the second game. With a game up in the best two out of three, the Broncos were in a good spot, but the Comanches were not finished and began the game full on. They were able to gain the early edge scoring two runs in the first inning on a double and a line drive single to center field. Musick got the

call and was able to strike out the next two batters to end the inning.

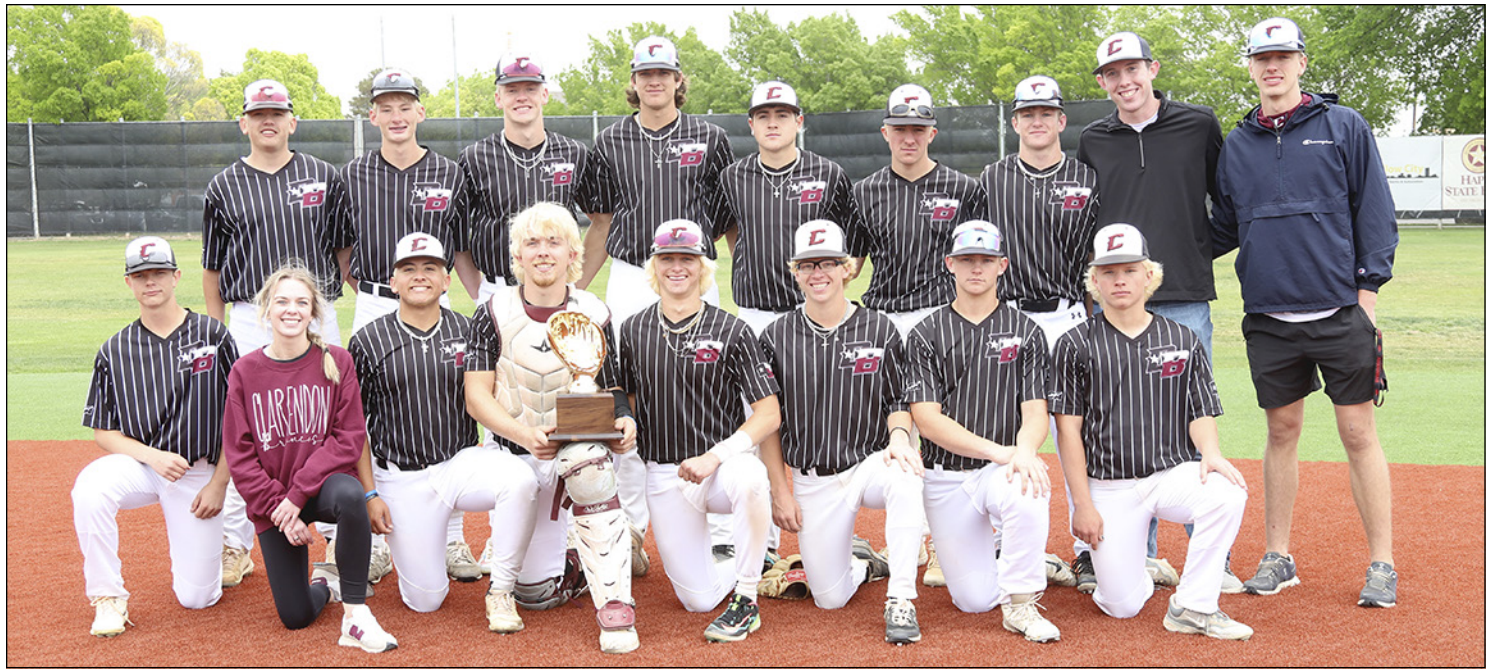
A determined West Texas team went on to score two runs in the next inning, then proceeded to stop the Broncos after only four batters in the third.

It was the bottom of the fifth before the Broncos began to turn the game around in their favor. Allred, Williams, and Grant Haynes were hit by pitches to load the bases. Sims was able to slam a hit to the shortstop who turned a double play to pick off Williams at second. Allred was able to reach home plate to put another run on the board. With WT leading by five, things looked bleak for the Broncos. With a possible game three on their minds, the Broncos went to work to avoid a third game in the series.

In their next at bat, Gates' single to right field advanced Musick and put a Frausto run on the board. With bases loaded, Haynes reached base on an error. With two outs and down to runs, the Broncos turned up the heat at the plate with a walk, a Shane Hagood single, and two more base on balls. Howard was able to send a hard-hit ground ball to left field that scored Hagood and Frausto to take the lead.

Gates then knocked down a single to center that scored Musick for the final run of the game. Frausto sealed the win from the mound with a WT ground-out, strike-out, a walk, and another ground out for the win.

The Broncos will play Sudan in the Area Round in Floydada Thursday, May 9, at 5 p.m. Game two will be held on Friday, May 10, with a game three immediately following if needed.



Bi-District Champions

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / TARA ALLRED



Bronco Mason Allred gets an out on third base.



Laney Rummel bats for the Lady Broncos.



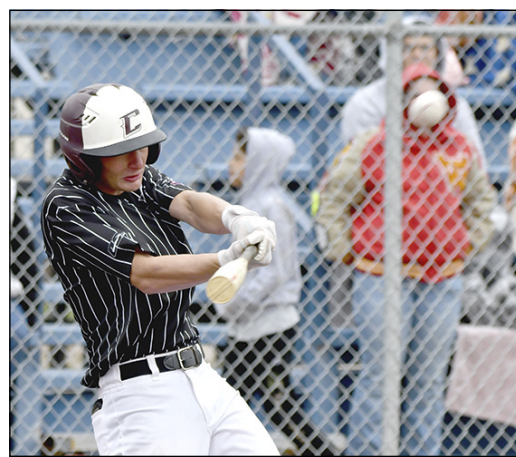
Kennadie Cummins gets an out.



Tandie Cummins dives for the out.



Easton Frausto pitches for the Broncos.



Shane Hagood gets a hit for the Broncos.



Bronco Harrison Howard catches for the Broncos.

COURTESY PHOTOS / AL ELAM

Lady Broncos play hard in loss to Colorado City

By Sandy Anderberg

Things did not go the way the Lady Broncos wanted in their Area games with Colorado City in Lubbock last weekend.

The ladies were defeated in the first game 11-1 and dropped the second game 3-9. Kennadie Cummins was on the mound for the Lady Broncos. She posted three strike outs while allowing 11 runs on eight hits.

Elliot Frausto posted the first out of the game when Colorado City popped it up at the short stop position, but a couple of early errors allowed the Lady Wolves the opportunity to begin to put runs on the board. When the inning was done, C-City had collected seven runs.

The Lady Broncos did not quit and with two outs, Gracie Wilkins slammed a line drive to center field for a single that scored Elyza Rodriguez from second base. The top of the second started off with a solo homerun from the Lady Wolves. That was the only score the ladies gave up in that inning as they cleaned up the errors from the inning before.

The Lady Broncos were able to turn a double play when the next batter hit a bunt that K. Cummins grabbed from her pitching position and tossed to Maloree Wann on first base who was able to nab the runner. However, Colorado City was able to put the game away in the fifth inning. The Lady Broncos finished their season at a respectable 27 wins, five losses, and one tie.

No details were available for Game 2 at press time.

Track & Field Club invites runners

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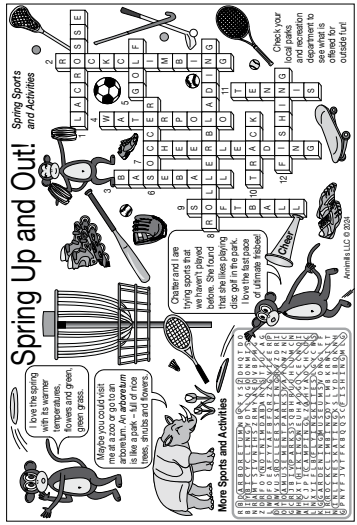
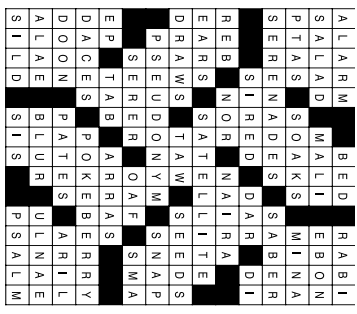
Clarendon Lions Club Regular meeting each Tuesday at noon. David Dockery, Boss Lion. Roger Estlack, Secretary

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of funds from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). Any contract or contracts awarded under this Invitation to Bidders are expected to be funded in part by funding from the TWDB. Neither the State of Texas nor any of its departments, agencies, or employees are or will be a party to this RFP and Statements of Qualifications or any resulting contract. This contract is subject to the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program, which includes EPA-approved fair share goals toward procurement of Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) firms. EPA rules require that applicants and prime contractors make a good faith effort to award a fair share of contracts, subcontracts, and procurements to M/WBEs through demonstration of the six affirmative steps. For more details of the DBE Program and the current, applicable fair share goals, please visit <http://www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/programs/DBE/index.asp>. Equal Opportunity in Employment - All qualified Applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, or national origin. Bidders on this work will be required to comply with the President's Executive Order No. 11246, as amended by Executive Order 11375, and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations 41 CFR, Part 60. Small, minority and women-owned firms are encouraged to submit. The successful respondent will be required to submit TWDB-0217 (Prime Consultant/Contractor Certification). Should the successful respondent require sub-consultants/sub-contractors, the Prime Consultant/Contractor is required to perform a Good Faith Effort solicitation for these sub-consultants/sub-contractors following the TWDB Disadvantaged Business Enterprise guidance found on the TWDB DBE web page, <http://www.twdb.texas.gov/financial/vprograms/DBE/index.asp>. In addition, the following additional forms will be required: TWDB-0216 (Affirmative Steps Solicitation Report) and TWDB-0373 (Participation Summary).

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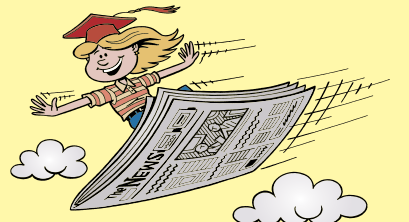
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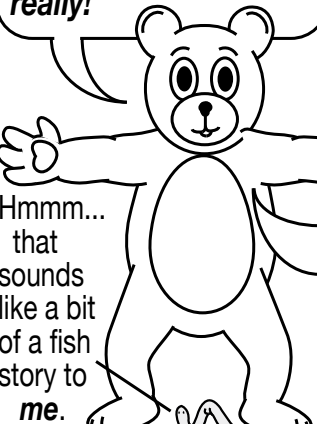
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The last one I caught was at least this long.... really!



A Fishy Quiz!

Think **fishing!** Now match each word to its "fishy" description.

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| 1. tackle | A. hooks, lures and other things used to fish |
| | B. rush; knock someone down |
| 2. catch | A. game in which the ball is thrown and caught |
| | B. a bucket of fresh fish going home with you |
| 3. cast | A. what the doctor puts on a broken bone |
| | B. throwing your fishing line and bait into the water |
| 4. waders | A. people who wet their feet at the edge of the water |
| | B. waterproof boots that cover waaaay up |
| 5. test | A. the amount of strength in your fishing line |
| | B. what the math teacher gives you |

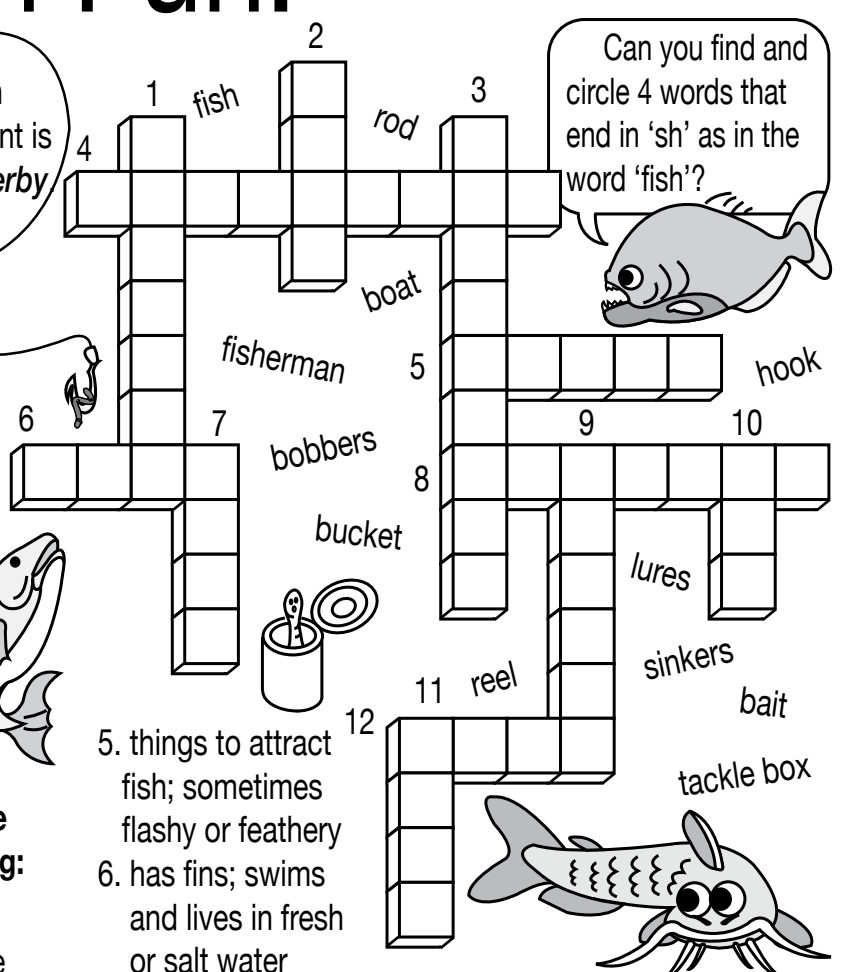
Fishing & Fish Fun!

Do you want to get in on the fishing fun? Ask a grownup to be your fishing buddy. Dig some worms. Grab your poles. Pack a lunch, dash to a lake or river and start fishing! Some people stand on the bank of a river to fish. Some will row their boat out to the middle of a lake. Fishing from a pier into the ocean is cool too. Some people only wish to "catch" fish from the supermarket for a favorite dish. Have fun and...shhh...the fish are biting!

One fun fishing event is a fishing derby. It's a competition with fun and prizes. A pole, some fishing line, a hook and some bait - that's all you need to fish!

Read the clues to fill in this puzzle about going fishing:

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| 1. weights you attach to your line | 5. things to attract fish; sometimes flashy or feathery |
| 2. used to wind the fishing line | 6. has fins; swims and lives in fresh or salt water |
| 3. holds all the small equipment needed | 7. curved piece of metal used to catch a fish |
| 4. person who fishes for fun, food or a living | 8. these keep bait near water's surface, signal "bite" |
| | 9. round, open container with a handle used to carry fish |
| | 10. long, narrow pole with hoops that hold your line |
| | 11. piece of food or a worm; used to attract a fish |
| | 12. people sit in this and row to their "fishing holes" |





State Run

Kaleb Bolin finished in sixth place in the 400 in Austin on Friday with a time of 50.40. Madi Benson finished seventh in the 800m in Austin with a time if 2:24.46.

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Wildfire ag losses top \$123 million

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service economists project the Panhandle wildfires caused \$123 million in preliminary agricultural losses, making it the costliest on record.

More than 1.2 million acres burned beginning Feb. 26, making it the largest wildfire in Texas history. The losses include more than 12,000 cattle deaths, lost grazing values and fence repair costs, according to economists. The initial loss estimates span from February through the middle of March.

“AgriLife Extension continues to be committed in providing resources needed for landowners, livestock producers and individuals impacted from this historic wildfire,” said Rick Avery, Ph.D., AgriLife Extension director. “The recovery process will be ongoing and AgriLife Extension agents and specialists will continue to provide support. We appreciate the ongoing efforts of our dedicated agent network and industry partners.”

The agency compiled loss estimates as part of a report submitted to the legislative Panhandle Wildfires Investigative Committee.

The following are loss estimates by category compiled by AgriLife Extension economists:

\$68.7 million: Ranch infrastructure, fences, barns, corrals, well pump motors and windmills, stocks of hay or feed.

\$26 million: Lost long-term grazing in fire damaged pastures and range and short-term emergency feeding.

\$27 million: Cattle losses due to wildfires. Livestock loss estimates include both cows and estimated losses to the season’s calf crop. Another \$1 million in miscellaneous includes disposal costs for deceased animals and forced marketing losses.

Cattle prices continue to climb as the nation’s cow herd is the smallest since 1961. Recent calf prices have hit all-time highs, but Anderson said little impact from the wildfires is expected on cattle prices or retail

beef prices.

However, there will be considerable fencing costs following the aftermath of the wildfire.

AgriLife Extension deployed its Disaster Assessment and Recovery, DAR, agents on Feb. 28 to support Animal Supply Points at Pampa, Borger, Canadian and a satellite location at Miami.

Hay, livestock feed and other resources were distributed to ranchers in need. Those supply points continue operations to serve the needs of area ranchers.

“Our DAR agents as well as our county agent network have been working to distribute hundreds of round bales of hay, livestock feed and to assist with field assessments and identification of cattle,” said Monty Dozier, Ph.D., DAR program director, Bryan-College Station. “Our agents have been working tirelessly to make sure needs are fulfilled. We also want to thank those throughout Texas and out of state who have donated. Their support has been overwhelming.”

AgriLife Extension is providing information on assistance programs offered by the US Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency to assist producers who have suffered losses on their land or with livestock and fences due to the fires.

Texas affected by the wildfires are encouraged to submit property damage utilizing the Individual State of Texas Assessment Tool, iSTAT, Damage Surveys. This will help state officials identify resource needs.

The US Small Business Administration has approved Gov. Greg Abbott’s request for disaster declarations in Texas communities affected by the Panhandle wildfires. Applicants may apply online, receive additional disaster assistance information, and download applications at sba.gov/disaster. Applicants may also call SBA’s Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance.

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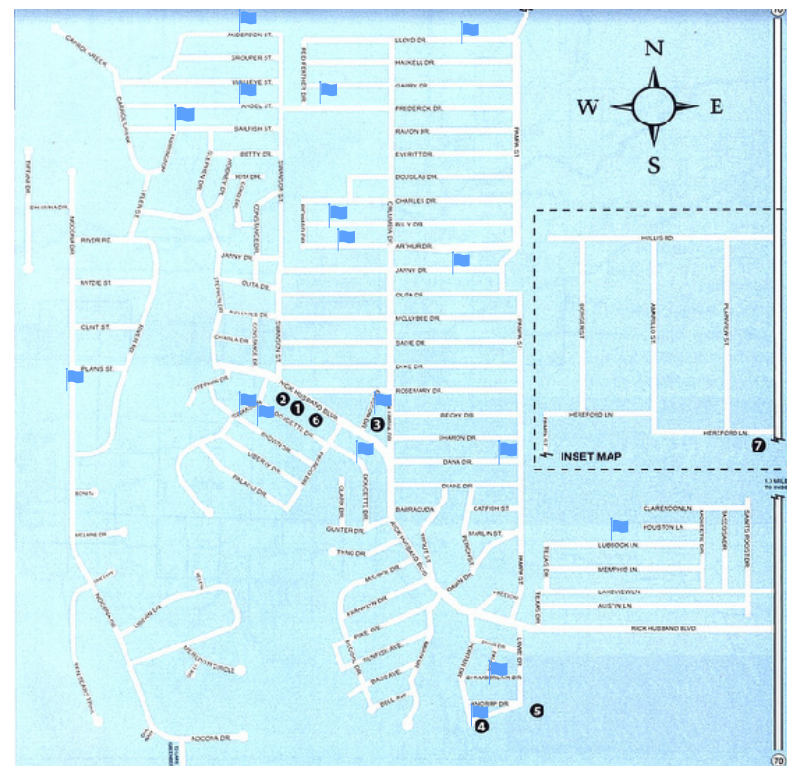
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