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

## Local man facing charge for assault

A Clarendon man is out on bond after being arrested last month for sexual assault.

Jacquaviyon Brown, age 20, was arrested on April 13 for the offense which allegedly occurred on April 6, according to Donley County Sheriff Butch Blackburn.

Brown was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Pat White on April 14 with bond set at \$20,000, and he was released on bond the same day.

## Trash to Treasures event set for June 7

Mark your calendars for Clarendon's 20th annual "Trash To Treasures" garage sale event on Saturday, June 7.

The cost is \$25 and sign-ups are due at the Enterprise by 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 29.

For more information, call 874-2259 or come by the Enterprise office at 105 S. Kearney.

## Greenbelt reservoir elevation hits 2615

Greenbelt Water Authority reports this week that the reservoir elevation has continued to rise with recent rainfall.

Tuesday's elevation was 2615.57 feet above sea level, compared to an even 2615 feet one week ago and 2614.63 two weeks ago.

The elevation of 2615 is the mark that triggers Stage 4 drought restrictions. The lake must get above 2615 and stay there for more than 30 days before the water authority and its member cities can return to Stage 3.

## HVFD invites public

The Hedley Volunteer Fire Department will hold a Meet & Greet Friday, May 9, from 5-7 p.m. The public is invited to the firehouse to meet your local Hedley firefighters. Refreshments will be provided.

## Elementary to host future students

Clarendon Elementary will hold Future Kindergarten Visitation Thursday, May 8, 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, call the Elementary Office (806)310-7760 with their name, phone number, and mailing address.



## Area Champions

The Clarendon High School Lady Broncos won the Area Championship last week with two victories over Hale Center. Clarendon will face Bangs this week in a two-day series on Thursday and Saturday in Holiday for the Regional Semi-Final Championship. For playoff updates, see Facebook.com/TheEnterprise. Read our complete coverage on page six of this week's issue.

COURTESY PHOTO

# New faces join city council, school board Rural voters approve new county assistance district

The Clarendon City Council and the Clarendon CISD Board of Trustees will have some new faces and a new sales tax will be levied in rural areas of Donley County following last Saturday's elections.

Mayor Jacob Fangman faced no opposition and received 215 votes. Challenger Brittney Wolf

and incumbent Alderman Ashlee Estlack were elected to full terms on the city council with 122 votes and 116 votes respectively. Aldermen Eulaine McIntosh narrowly lost her reelection bid with 114 votes. Other

candidates vying for the two full terms were Jeremy Jeffers with 71 votes and Richard Dzamko with 20.

Also in the city election, Tom Thompson and Chelsi Shadle were the top choices of voters to fill two unexpired terms. Thompson had 128 votes, Shadle had 113, and Ralph Graves at 108.

In the race for three positions on the Clarendon school board, incumbents Robin Ellis and Donny

Howard won reelection with 230 and 215 votes respectively, and Jeff Robertson received 215 votes to secure the third seat over Ginnie Siefkas, who got 39 votes.

Voters outside the cities of Clarendon, Hedley, and Howardwick approved the creation of Donley County Assistance District #2 by a vote of 48 to 30.

The district will levy a 2.0 percent sales tax to help fund county law enforcement expenses.

Turnout was low for the 2025 election. In the City of Clarendon, for example, only 21.1 percent of registered voters cast ballots with City Hall reporting 258 ballots cast out of 1,221 registered voters.



## Personal best

Clarendon junior Madi Benson rounds the curve in the 800M at the state track meet last week. Benson finished in seventh place but ran her personal best time of 2:23.55.

ENTERPRISE PHOTO / MICAH MCCARTNEY

## H'wick residents sentenced April 7

Two Howardwick residents were sentenced in separate cases when the District Court met in Panhandle on April 7.

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

Joseph Ray Casselberry, 43, from Howardwick, was sentenced to six months in the Donley County Jail for the Class A misde-

meanor offense of assault causing bodily injury that took place in Donley County on May 24, 2022.

Casselberry was originally placed on probation for the offense on June 8, 2023. On December 12, 2024, the State filed its motion requesting the Court to adjudicate Casselberry's probation, alleging eight violations of his conditions of probation. Casselberry pleaded true to the allegations. Casselberry was also ordered to pay a \$2,000 fine and \$340 court costs.

Thomas Barnum Caswell, 68, from Howardwick, was convicted for the Class C misdemeanor offense of assault that took place in Donley County on August 7, 2024.

Caswell was arrested by Donley County Sheriff's Deputy Wesley Christopher. Caswell was indicted by the Donley County Grand Jury on October 7, 2024. Caswell was also ordered to pay a \$500 fine and \$290 court costs upfront.

## District court hears kidnapping plea

An Amarillo man was sentenced for a kidnapping case in Donley County when the 100th Judicial District Court met in Memphis on April 14.

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

Cameron Clay Baker, 24, from Amarillo, was placed on eight years' probation for the first-degree felony offense of aggravated kidnapping that occurred in Donley County.

Baker was arrested by Donley County Sheriff Butch Blackburn for the offense that took place on November 4, 2024. Baker was indicted by a Donley

County Grand Jury on January 27.

Baker was also ordered to pay a \$8,000 fine, \$290 in court costs, and complete 400 hours of community service.

If his probation is revoked, Baker faces up to 99 years or life in prison.

Baker was also placed on eight years' probation for the third-degree felony offense of assault by choking that occurred in Donley County.

Baker was also ordered to pay \$290 in court costs. If his probation is revoked, Baker faces up to 10 years in prison. Based upon the nature of the offenses, Baker could be sentenced consecutively if his probations are revoked.

Another Donley County case

was adjudicated when the district court met in Panhandle on April 22.

Julian Trevino, 45, from Memphis, Texas, was placed on two years' probation for the Class A misdemeanor offense of unlawful use of a criminal instrument.

Trevino was arrested by 100th Judicial District Traffic Enforcement Division Officer Todd Gambol on November 30, 2023, in Donley County. Trevino pleaded to an information filed by the State on December 12, 2023.

Trevino was also ordered to pay a \$4,000 fine, \$305 in court costs, \$180 lab fee, and complete 100 hours of community service. If his probation is revoked, Trevino faces up to a year in the county jail.

# Bridge project to begin May 19

The project to replace the US 287 bridge between Kearney and Gorst Streets will begin May 19, according to information released this week by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Childress District

The \$4.4 million project will replace a bridge on US 287 over Clarendon's main drainage ditch, which has been in place since at least the 1930s and is possibly closer to 100 years old.

Project engineer Louis McDowell confirmed Tuesday that contractors will set up advance warning signs on May 19. Access to certain city streets will be closed June 3. Access to Kearney Street will be closed on the north and south sides of the highway, and Jefferson and Gorst streets will be closed on the south side of US 287.

The project will be led by general contractor Hodges and Sons and is expected to take approximately 19 months to complete, weather pending. TxDOT says the new bridge structure will improve drainage and help alleviate flooding along this corridor.

The project will unfold in three phases with the first phase beginning on the south side of US 287. Due to the location of the bridge, intersections within the work zone will be closed to ensure the safety of motorists and workers. During the project, the traffic signal at US 287 and Kearney Street will not be functional due to the closure of that intersection.

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# The history of US tariffs

There is a popular meme going around the internet. The caption to the picture reads, “We’ve done this mass tariff thing three times in American history. 1828, 1930, 2025. All spaced about a 100 years apart because everyone who remembers the last one needs to be dead for the next one to happen. The last two caused depressions. This one will totally make us rich though.”

I used to almost always say, “Make your own decisions about issues like tariffs, but make them with the correct information.” As far as this meme and its information goes, historically speaking, it just does not hold water.

I love teaching about the 1828 tariff. For one, it has the best name ever: The Tariff of Abominations. Secondly, while it is the ultimate example of political maneuvering gone wrong, the 1828 tariff did not cause of the Panic of 1837.

In 1828 President John Quincy Adams planned to run for a second term. His opponents, under the leadership of Adams’ vice president, John C. Calhoun, and Martin Van Buren, came up with a scheme to hurt his chance for reelection. While Calhoun and Van Buren were anti-tariff, they proposed in Congress to pass a tariff so high that even pro-tariff ex-Federalist Republicans, New Englanders, and Adams would reject it. They could then blame Adams and these groups for the tariff’s death. However, the plan fell apart when it passed through Congress. Adams felt the tariff was too high but also constitutional and so he passed it into law.

At that point, the Calhoun-Van Buren group attacked the president for passing such a high tariff — the very one they created — calling it “The Tariff of Abominations.” Calhoun even went as far as writing the South Carolina Exposition and Protest (an anonymously written work protesting the tariff which Calhoun later admitted to writing) in which he stated it was legal for South Carolina to nullify the tariff in that state. The only reason Calhoun did not follow through with his threat was that he knew Andrew Jackson would probably beat Adams for the presidency and if Jackson won, he would remove the offensive tariff.

The ploy bit Calhoun in the behind when Jackson won. But knowing how important the tariff was to New England, a section of the country in which Jackson had struggled to garner support, he left the tariff in place. This led to the Nullification Crisis that almost caused a civil war as South Carolina finally decided to nullify the tariff. Before war could break out, Congress passed a compromise tariff in 1833 that was much more palatable to all sides.

Several years later, in 1837, our nation did fall into one of the worst depressions in history. Jackson was primarily responsible for this economic disaster when he purposely pulled all the nation’s money out of the Second Bank of the United States causing bank collapses and an economic downturn. There were several bad decisions that led to the 1837 Panic, but the 1828 tariff was not one of them.

The second tariff on the meme is the 1930 tariff, better known as “The Smoot–Hawley Tariff.” See? Tariff of Abominations is a much better name. While I might be nitpicking here, but a tariff passed in June of 1930 cannot be responsible for a depression that began in October of 1929. While many economists believe that Smoot-Hawley tariff made the depression worse, it was passed as a measure to support American businesses from the effects of the Great Depression. When Herbert Hoover ran for president in 1928, one of his platform planks was tariffs on agricultural goods because farmers had been suffering since the end of WWI.

Farmers had a boom time during the war, as they had to feed all the world’s soldiers, but when the soldiers all returned home, there was suddenly a surplus. Hoover believed American farmers would benefit from agricultural tariffs. When the depression began, men in his party like Senator Reed Smoot and Congressman Willis Hawley used Hoover’s support on ag tariffs to push through massive tariffs on most products to protect American companies.

While Hoover was actually against high tariffs, like Adams a hundred years earlier, he signed it into law because it was not unconstitutional, and he had a great deal of pressure from his own party to pass it. The effect of Smoot-Hawley was tariff wars. America’s trade partners put tariffs on American goods, jacking up prices for everyone in a time where people were losing their jobs. So, while the tariff did more harm than good, it still cannot be blamed on causing the depression.

One important law was created on the heels of Smoot-Hawley. Two years after the tariff was passed, Democrats swept the elections including adding Franklin D. Roosevelt as president. Part of the Democratic success was a reaction to Smoot-Hawley. With the Democrats in charge, they passed the Reciprocal Tariff Agreement Act in 1934, which among many things allowed the president — without the need of congressional approval — to adjust tariffs by 50%. This was one of our country’s first big steps in turning over tariff policy to the president and away from Congress. FDR used the RTAA to reduce tariffs during the depression, and its passage is considered the end of protectionist economic policies. Tariffs have mostly lowered in the years since. Until now.

So, while I am still not at a place to make an argument about tariffs, I am in a place to say be careful what you read on the internet. Remember what Abraham Lincoln said, “Not everything online is true.” So, make your arguments, just make them with correct, factual information.

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historically speaking  
by dr. james finck

# Neverending habit of nitpicking

When one nitpicks, there’s no end to it. We’re all frequently guilty, and I admit to being among chief sinners, particularly since the term’s initial usage began in 1956, the same year I finished Early High School. Sudden thought: Maybe I’m the guy who first justified the term.

Like heat surging from “simmer to boil” on the cook stove, I’m revealing current “nitpicky” items that might confuse and confound, but reasons enough for me to expand and expound.

Thus so steamed, I plan – at least for now – to merely introduce some upcoming topics, a few of which won’t stretch into the dog days of summer, but may make it through the cat days of spring. All told, little good seems likely to result from writing about negative “stuff,” but reactions to some have become volcanic. I’m sorry....

Soon, I will review details of my visit to the oil change place whose TV ads boast that one woman’s visit was so brief, she doesn’t have time to finish knitting her sweater. Then, there’s the guy – chagrined by such quick service that he wasn’t able to finish repairing his garage door opener. My recent experience varied greatly from the ads, as far as the east is from the west. Details later.

Let’s switch now to packaging. A friend who shops for us from time to time is a “neatnik,” and follows shopping lists to the letter. Up front, I admit that entering “toothpicks” should have included “flat” or “round.” How was she to know that I have a thing about tooth-

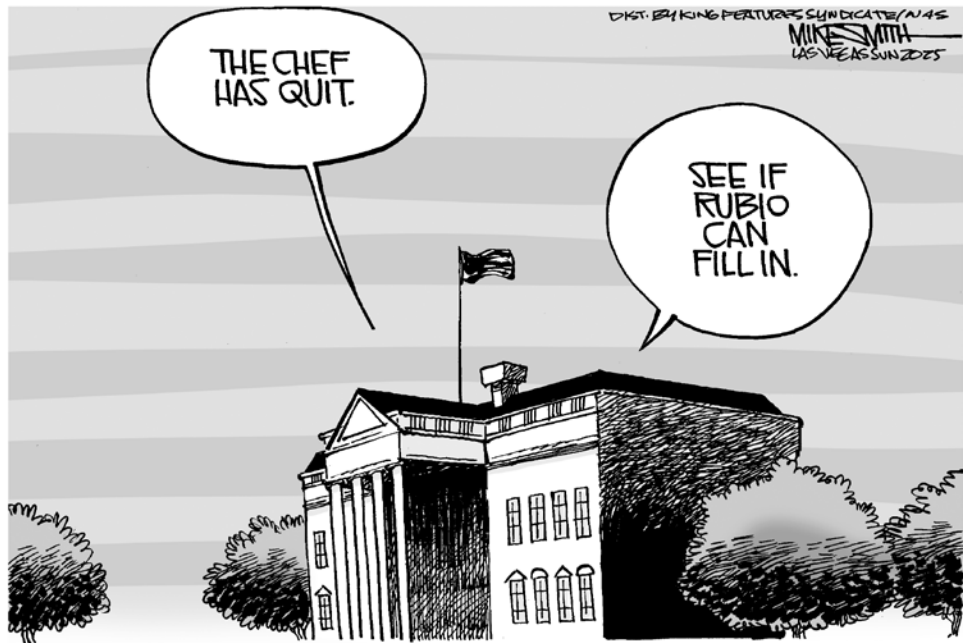
picks? (I don’t know why they make flat ones, unless it’s to utilize splinters that seem destined to lodge or break off ‘tween our pearly whites.) After making sure she understood instructions for future toothpick purchases, I headed to the store to make the critical exchange.

At the store, I tossed the box of round toothpicks into my cart, along with a few “final markdown” items. I didn’t notice that the flimsy box top was ajar, causing me to leave a trail of toothpicks in the store and on the parking lot. Why can’t manufacturers add a piece of tape to avoid such blips? Maybe they expect most toothpicks to wind up on floors and pavement, never to reach our mouths. Accusing me of climbing over gates to save the hinges, our friend’s impish laugh lingered, now aware that I’m not only “nitpicky,” but also “toothpicky.”....

But seriously, folks. It may seem that I am straddling the fence concerning state funding for public and private education in Texas. I’ve experienced both in higher education, and have good things to say about each, as well as for the K-through-12 world. If our public schools were properly funded, I’d find state funding for private schools more palatable, at least somewhat defensible.



the idle american  
by don newbury



# Prison education pays benefits in Texas

By Luis Soberon

Over 90 percent of incarcerated people will eventually be released from prison, and how they reenter society can make or break their chance for success. By expanding access to postsecondary education within prison facilities, we can turn them into launchpads for rehabilitation and workforce readiness, ensuring that those who have paid their debt to society return prepared to contribute meaningfully to their communities.

A growing body of evidence outlined in the Texas 2036 report, “Opening Doors: The State of Higher Education in Texas Prisons,” confirms what educators and policymakers have known for years: education reduces recidivism. Inmates who participate in postsecondary education programs are significantly less likely to return to prison. That saves taxpayer dollars and improves public safety.

Historically, access to college courses behind bars has been extremely limited. But recent changes in federal policy, including the reinstatement of Pell Grant eligibility for incarcerated students, are opening the door to new possibilities. Texas can lead the nation by building a prison education system that truly prepares individuals for successful reentry.

Unfortunately, our report high-

lighted a 50 percent decline in incarcerated Texans enrolled in postsecondary programs between 2011 and 2022. This drop wasn’t for a lack of interest among incarcerated students; it was due to limited educational capacity within the prison system.

In April 2024, only 1,800 incarcerated students in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice were enrolled in college-level programs, but over 8,300 eligible individuals were waiting for open seats.

Expanding higher education capacity in prisons is not without its challenges. One is financial. In Texas, incarcerated individuals bear the responsibility of paying for their education, with some federal and state aid available to qualified students.

It also requires thoughtful coordination between correctional officials, academic institutions and policymakers as well as a cultural shift that recognizes education as a fundamental tool of rehabilitation.

Here’s the bottom line: Incarcerated Texans in college programs are less likely to return to prison and more likely to get a job – boosting public safety and offering a path for former inmates to return home to stable, productive lives.

Our Opening Doors report identifies

Unthinkable to me is how state leaders – leaning on excellent “spin doctors” – to promote their questionable positions – choose to ignore support of public schools, even after imposing costly mandates without additional state funding that’s been at a standstill since 2019. And we have more than \$30 billion stashed away in Austin for “rainy day funding.” Memo to Austin: It’s flooding. Please let us know when we’re allowed to stop eating the cake you’re letting us have.

They can trot out all the stats they’d like, but many remember a long-ago survey revealing that rail freight revenue was going down, and alcohol sales heading up. Yep, more people were getting loaded than boxcars. More in an upcoming column....

Now, we bid farewell to Pope Francis, joining millions of others who lament his homegoing. He will be remembered for so many noble reasons. Among them, his humility and regard for the hungry and poor were paramount. Now, the cardinals must find a successor.

If any candidates are named “Zacola” or “Pizza,” they’d best step aside.

“Pope Zacola” sounds like a soft drink, and “Pope Pizza” won’t work, either....

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## Obituaries

### Williams

Frank Allen Williams, 81, of Clarendon, Texas, passed away on Thursday, May 1, 2025, in Cedar Park, Texas.

A service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 10, 2025, at Saint Stephen Church of Amarillo, officiated by Dr. Jim Smith, Senior Pastor Emeritus. Burial will follow at 2:30 p.m. at White Deer Cemetery under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors and Crematory.

Viewing will be held at Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors and Crematory in Pampa on Thursday from 12:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Friday



Williams

from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. The family will receive friends from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 9, 2025, at the funeral home.

Born on March 24, 1944, in Clarendon Frank was the son of Horace and Mary Louise Williams. He grew up in White Deer, where he graduated from high school before earning his bachelor's degree from West Texas State University. On June 5, 1965, he married Colleen Rae Crawford. Frank worked for 28 years as a manager at JI Case, then became a part-owner at Case IH for another eight years. After retiring, he owned and operated Trophy Taxidermy for 13 years. His leadership and dedication left a lasting impression.

A longtime member of St. Stephen's United Methodist Church of Amarillo and later the First Baptist Church of Howardwick, Frank's faith was central to his life. Frank also found joy in the great outdoors through hunting and fishing. He was

a gifted musician who loved to sing and play the guitar, sharing his melodies with family and friends. Frank also enjoyed snow skiing, softball, basketball, and soccer.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and his brother, Donald Williams.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Colleen Williams; daughters, Stephanie Hein of Bertram, Angela Petee of Cedar Park, and Rebecca Cooper of Lubbock; sister, Lynette Williams Zurline of Marshall; eight grandchildren, Johnathan, Zech, and Christian Hein, Kilee West Lovell, Kalee and Kendee West, Shelby Cooper Hodnett, and Brandon Cooper; three great-grandchildren; and many other beloved family members and friends. Frank was a husband, a father, a Big Papa, a friend, a mentor, and a disciple of the Lord. He will be greatly missed.

Please sign the online guest register at [www.carmichael-whatley.com](http://www.carmichael-whatley.com)

## Abbott proclaims Small Business Week In Texas

Governor Greg Abbott has issued a proclamation officially designating May 4–10, 2025 as Small Business Week in Texas in recognition of the significant impact small businesses have on job creation and the thriving Texas economy.

"Small businesses are the very backbone of the strong Texas economy," said Governor Abbott. "With more than 3 million small businesses employing nearly half of the Texas workforce, Texas is a top state for innovation, job creation, and economic prosperity. To empower more small business owners and entrepreneurs by providing the best environment for small business growth, I signed Texas DOGE into law last month, creating the Texas Regulatory Efficiency Office. The law builds on the recommendations of my Small Business Freedom Council and will slash regulations, put

stricter standards on new regulations that could be costly to businesses, and ensure Texas remains the best state for businesses of all sizes."

The Governor's Office of Small Business Assistance, in the Governor's Texas Economic Development & Tourism Office, serves as a focal point in the state for start-ups and small businesses of all sizes, offering a variety of services for Texas entrepreneurs looking to start, strengthen, and grow their business.

Additionally, the Governor's Small Business Summits are hosted in communities across the state, providing Texas small business owners and aspiring entrepreneurs the opportunity to network and share relevant advice on small business topics.

For more information on upcoming cities and dates, as well as event registration, visit [gov.texas.gov](http://gov.texas.gov).

[gov/business/events](http://gov.texas.gov/business/events).

For more information on the Governor's Office of Small Business Assistance, visit [gov.texas.gov/smallbusiness](http://gov.texas.gov/smallbusiness).

To receive updates on current small business topics and initiatives throughout Texas, sign up for the Governor's Small Business Snapshot.

Last week, Governor Abbott celebrated Texas being ranked the Best State for Business for the 21st year in a row by Chief Executive magazine in recognition of the state's business climate, workforce, and quality of life. Additionally, Texas won the 2025 Prosperity Cup awarded by Site Selection magazine to the top-performing state for attracting new business investments, earning Texas the "Triple Crown Trophy" for the best economy in the nation.

## May 8 honors military spouses

Military service members and veterans are invited to show their appreciation and affection to their spouses on the home front on Military Spouse Appreciation Day, May 8, 2025, in Texas.

The day honors the contributions, support and sacrifices made by the spouses of military service members and veterans. America's military spouses bolster our troops during mission, deployment, reintegration and reset. The commitment spouses give helps keep our country strong and safe.

Military Spouse Appreciation card for download. Has copy on it staying Strong. Steady. Selfless. Happy military spouse appreciation day and has hearts in background.

Military service members are often away on duty. Military families move to a new location every 2.5 years on average. This brings change, added expenses, and the need to restart: finding new homes, jobs, schools, child care and settling into new communities.

"The military spouse holds the home together while their service

member is absent. They regularly must act as a single parent, a teacher, a role model, a minister, a confidant, a leader, and an ally for others in the same situation. The strength of a military spouse lies in their ability to adapt and overcome," said Texas Veterans Commission Executive Director and Army veteran Tom Paladino. "This is why we give special recognition to those married to military service members and veterans."

Resources and benefits for military spouses, families and military service members in Texas may be found at <https://tvc.texas.gov/resources/>.

Helping veterans starts here. The Texas Veterans Commission advocates for and provides superior service that will significantly improve the quality of life for all Texas veterans, their families, and survivors. The TVC assists veterans with receiving their benefits, provides funding to agencies which provide direct services to veterans and provides administration of the Hazlewood Act education benefits. Learn more at [www.tvc.texas.gov](http://www.tvc.texas.gov).

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# Life support

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	1	5			4	9		
		3	1		5		7	
2								

Level: Intermediate

**Fun By The Numbers**

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

**Here's How It Works:**

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

1	5	4	6	9	3	8	7	2
8	7	6	5	2	1	3	4	9
3	2	9	7	4	8	5	1	6
4	6	1	2	8	5	9	1	3
2	8	3	7	1	6	4	4	5
5	9	1	3	4	7	8	2	8
6	4	8	1	5	9	2	3	7
3	7	6	2	9	8	1	4	6
9	5	8	4	3	7	2	1	6

**ANSWER:**

### Property Owner's Notice of Protest for Counties with Populations Less than 120,000

Form 50-132-A

#### Important Information

##### GENERAL INFORMATION

This form is for use by a property owner or an owner's designated agent to file a protest with ARB pursuant to Tax Code Section 41.41. Lessees contractually obligated to reimburse a property owner for property taxes may be entitled to protest as a lessee if all Tax Code requirements are met, including those in Tax Code Section 41.413.

**FILING INSTRUCTIONS** This form and all supporting documentation must be filed with the appraisal district office in each county in which the property is located. **Do not file this document with the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts.** Contact information for appraisal district offices may be found on the Comptroller's website.

##### VIDEOCONFERENCES

Videoconference hearings are not available in counties with a population of less than 100,000 that lack the technological capabilities to conduct a videoconference. (Tax Code Section 41.45(b-4)).

##### SINGLE-MEMBER PANELS

An ARB must provide the option of a single-member panel hearing if requested in the Notice of Protest or submitted in writing to the ARB not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> day before the

hearing date. (Tax Code Section 41.45(b-4)).

##### ELECTRONIC DELIVERY OF COMMUNICATIONS

A property owner or their authorized representative may request electronic communications from a tax official under Tax Code Section 1.085(a-1) by using Form 50-843, Request for Electronic Delivery of Communications with a Tax Official. The form must be filed with the applicable tax official in the county where the property is located.

##### DEADLINES

With exceptions, the typical deadline for filing a notice of protest is midnight, May 15 (Tax Code Section 41.44). Contact the ARB for the county in which the property is located for the specific protest filing deadline.

##### NOTICE

The Comptroller's office may not advise a property owner, a property owner's agent, the chief appraiser or any appraisal district employee on a matter that the Comptroller's office knows is the subject of an ARB protest. Consult Tax Code Chapter 41 or the ARB hearing procedures for more information.

#### Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

Property owners have the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- your properties appraised (market) value;
- the unequal value of your property compared with other properties;
- your property's inclusion on the appraisal records;
- any exemptions that may apply to you;
- the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal;
- the taxing units taxing your property;
- the property's ownership;
- the change of use of land receiving special appraisal;
- failure of the chief appraiser or appraisal review board (ARB) to send a required notice;
- the denial, modification or cancellation of the circuit breaker limitation on appraised value; or
- any action taken by the appraisal district or ARB that applies to and adversely affects you.

##### INFORMAL REVIEW

For information about informal review and obtaining property tax records, call your appraisal district at the number listed on the Notice of Appraised Value.

##### REVIEW BY THE ARB

If you cannot resolve your problem informally with the appraisal district, you have the right to have your case heard by the ARB.

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that hears and determines protests regarding property appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the appraisal district to make the necessary changes based on evidence heard during the ARB hearing.

If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing and send you written notice of the time, date, place and subject of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening or on a Saturday. You may use Comptroller Form 50-132A, *Property Appraisal – Notice of Protest*, to file your written request for an ARB hearing.

Prior to your hearing, you may request a copy of the evidence the appraisal district plans to introduce at the hearing to establish any matter at issue. Before a hearing on a protest or immediately after the hearing begins, you or your authorized representative and the appraisal district are required to provide each other with a copy of any materials (evidence) intended to be offered or submitted to the ARB at the hearing. Evidence may be submitted for any hearing type either on paper or on a small portable electronic device (such as a CD, USB flash drive or thumb drive) which will be kept by the ARB. DO NOT bring evidence on a smart phone. The ARB's hearing procedures regarding all the requirements to properly submit evidence on a small portable electronic device must be reviewed.

To the greatest extent practicable, the hearing will be informal. You or your authorized representative may appear in person, by telephone conference or videoconference call

#### Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB\*

##### USUAL DEADLINE

Not later than May 15 (or within 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later). Late protests are allowed for good cause if you miss the usual deadline. The ARB decides whether you have good cause. Late protests are not allowed after the ARB approves the appraisal records for the year.

##### SPECIAL DEADLINES

For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is not later than the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the notice of the determination was delivered to you. For ARB changes (the ARB has informed you of a change that increases your tax liability and the change did not result from a protest you filed), the deadline is not later than the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the notice of the change was delivered to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually Feb. 1) or no later than the 125<sup>th</sup> day after the date you claim you received a tax bill from one or more of the taxing units that tax your property. The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

\*The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or legal, state or national holiday.



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¿Qué Pasa?  
Community Calendar

- May 8**  
Lady Broncos v Bangs • Holiday • 4:00 p.m.
- May 10**  
Lady Broncos v Bangs • Holiday • 2:00 p.m. • Game 3 to follow if needed
- May 24**  
Clarendon Aquatics Center Season Opening. 1:00 p.m.
- May 26**  
Memorial Day Scramble • Clarendon Country Club. Call 806-874-2166
- May 31**  
Howardwick Citywide Garage Sale. Call City Hall for details or to be added to the map, 874-2222.

**June 7**  
Trash to Treasures Garage Sale Event. Multiple garage sales starting at 8 a.m. Maps at ClarendonLive.com the week of the event. Sales must register by May 30. Call 874-2259 to sign up.

**June 7 & 8**  
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**June 8**  
Route 66 Festival - Jericho Gap 5K/10K Fun Run benefiting the Jericho Legacy Foundation

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Menus  
May 12 - 16

**Donley County Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Oven fried chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, cornbread, blueberry crisp, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tues: Stuffed baked potato, shredded beef or pork, steamed broccoli, hot roll, pineapple cake, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Pork roast, English peas, buttered carrots, whole wheat roll, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thurs: Chicken fajitas, Spanish rice, pinto beans, garden salad, sopapilla cheesecake, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Beef tips and noodles, broccoli & cauliflower, hot roll, chocolate cupcake, iced tea/2% milk.

**Hedley Senior Citizens**  
Mon: Chicken strips, macaroni & cheese, mixed greens, mixed green salad, banana pudding parfait, whole wheat buttermilk biscuit, iced tea/2% milk.  
Tues: Cheesy ham & hashbrown casserole, broccoli & carrots, carrot cake, iced tea/2% milk.  
Wed: Chicken fried steak w/ country gravy, homemade mashed potatoes, California blend vegetables, fruit, chocolate chip cookie, iced tea/2% milk.  
Thurs: Beef pot roast w/brown gravy, roasted carrots, potatoes, & onions, brown rice, cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.  
Fri: Bacon cheese burger, onion rings, mixed green salad, fruit, iced tea/2% milk.

**Clarendon CISD**  
Breakfast  
Mon: Breakfast pizza, fruit, fruit juice, milk.  
Tues: French toast, sausage, fruit, fruit juice, milk.  
Wed: Biscuit, gravy, eggs, bacon, fruit, fruit juice, milk.  
Thu: Pancake wrap, yogurt, fruit, fruit juice, milk.  
Fri: Cinnamon roll, fruit, fruit juice, milk.

Lunch  
Mon: Corn dog, potatoes, tomato cup, fruit, milk.  
Tues: Quesadilla, salsa, beans, ice cream, fruit, milk.  
Wed: Crispy chicken sandwich, veggie cup, salad, fruit, milk.  
Thu: Chicken nachos, broccoli, corn, fruit, milk.  
Fri: Pizza, carrots, green beans, dessert, fruit, milk.

**Hedley ISD**  
Breakfast  
Mon: Breakfast pizza, bananas, fruit juice, milk.  
Tues: Rench toast, sausage, orange, fruit juice, milk.  
Wed: Cinnamon roll, sausage, pears, fruit juice, milk.  
Thu: Pancake wrap, peaches, fruit juice, milk.  
Fri: No School

Lunch  
Mon: Hamburger, potatoes, tomato cup, fruit cup, milk.  
Tues: Quesadilla, salsa, beans, cucumbers, apricots, milk.  
Wed: Crispy chicken sandwich, veggie cup, garden salad, fruity gelatin, milk.  
Thu: Peanut butter & jelly, carrots, celery, animal crackers, apple, milk.  
Fri: No School



Museum officials with students who participated in the logo contest.

# Museum names logo winners

The Saints’ Roost Museum recently held a logo contest for any Clarendon High School student to participate in designing a logo and letterhead logo for the museum, with the contest winners earning cash prizes.

Mrs. Zongker’s business classes learned about marketing a business while designing their logos and letterheads for the museum contest.

The students could either hand draw or digitally design for the contest.

There ended up being 82 logos and letterheads submitted. It was difficult for the members of the museum board to decide on winners. After finally narrowing down to the top twelve, the board awarded the twelve finalists. The winners are: 1st place logo – Klay Wilkins – \$200, Runner up logo – Kaleb Mays – \$50,

1st place letterhead – Aiden Morris – \$200, and Runner up letterhead – Kaendon Moffett – \$50. The remaining eight students in the top twelve each received \$20 These students were: Max Caudle, Shaun Childers, Kortni Davis - who had two submissions in finals, Karley Keen, Lilly Robinson, Allison Ware, and Klay Wilkins, who had a second submission in the top twelve.

# Wildfire Awareness Month highlights safety

In 2024, 5,187 wildfires burned over 1.3 million acres in Texas, and since wildfires have no boundaries, Texans should always be prepared for wildfires.

During Wildfire Awareness Month, Texas A&M Forest Service is highlighting the ways that Texans can not only prevent wildfires but how they can prepare for when they occur.

“Preparation for wildfires is key to protecting both lives and property,” said Erin O’Connor, Texas A&M Forest Service Public Information Officer. “During an emergency, you may only have minutes to act or evacuate. Having a plan and a go-kit can make all the difference. The better prepared Texans are, the safer they will be.”

A critical component to ensuring safety and preparedness for wildfires is the preparation of a go-kit that can be easily carried and include supplies for several days. A go-kit should include: Supplies for both people and pets. Prescription medications or other necessary medical equipment.

Papers and important documents such as phone numbers and insurance and identification documents. Personal needs including food, water, clothes, money, chargers and a first aid kit. Priceless

items such as photos, family heirlooms and any other irreplaceable or valuable items. Evacuation plans

“It is important to have at least two evacuation routes planned out of your neighborhood in case the first route is blocked by heavy smoke or traffic,” said O’Connor.

Evacuation routes and shelter locations will be influenced by wildfire activity. It is critical to know how and where local emergency officials will communicate information, such as updates and instructions, to the public.

“There are many practical steps that residents and landowners can take to reduce their risk from wildfire,” said O’Connor.

Residents can prepare around their homes using fire resistant landscaping and ensuring defensible spaces are maintained. Embers – small pieces of burning material easily carried by the wind – are the leading cause of home loss during wildfires. They can collect in small crevices around a home and enter through vents.

Simple, low-cost actions like cleaning out gutters, clearing leaves from garden beds and around wooden structures, removing leaf piles, and relocating firewood stacks at least 30 feet away from buildings can significantly reduce the risk of

ember ignition.

Farm and ranch owners can prepare for wildfires by assessing the property for potential hazards, establishing contingency plans for feeding and relocating livestock if a fire is imminent and informing fire departments about access roads, water sources, fence lines and preferred wildfire suppression tactics.

“The wildland urban interface is where humans and their structures meet or mix with undeveloped wildland,” said O’Connor. “Communities in the WUI are at the greatest risk for wildfire damage or loss. As Texas’ population grows and urban areas expand into more rural landscapes, the number of people that may be impacted by wildfires will increase.”

Communities and municipalities can create community wildfire protection plans to identify high-risk areas of the wildland urban interface and target potential fuels reduction projects, training needs and prevention strategies.

Texas A&M Forest Service works with communities to create community wildfire protection plans, assists neighborhoods with the management of the Firewise USA program and provides risk assessment tools to ensure communities have the resources to be prepared for wildfire.

# V-E Day to be observed May 8

The 80th Anniversary of Victory in Europe Day (VE Day) is on May 8, 2025. VE Day marked the end of hostilities in the European Theater in World War 2.

The Daughters of the American Revolution, Ester McCorty and Molly Goodnight Chapters, will hold a lantern ceremony on May 8, 2025 at 9:30pm at the Texas Panhandle War Memorial in Amarillo, joining communities across Texas to honor the sacrifice of our Veterans and remember the 80 years since the end of World War II in Europe.

Many millions paid the ultimate sacrifice to achieve victory and bring peace to a battered continent. 1,079 Panhandle Veterans paid the ultimate sacrifice and are memorialized on 10

granite monoliths at the War Memorial.

The ceremony will be outdoors with the lighting of red lanterns here and across Texas at 9:30 p.m. (2130). The names of our Veterans who paid the ultimate sacrifice will be read out loud, followed by the singing “God Bless America.” The flames from these red lanterns, representing the ‘light of peace’ that emerged from the dreadful darkness of war. The red represents the sacrifices made during the war.

The public is welcome to visit the Texas Panhandle War Memorial in Amarillo Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, visit TexasPanhandle-WarMemorial.com.



The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting May 6, 2025, with Boss Lion Richard Green in command.

We had eleven Lions present, Sweetheart Lauren Cenicerros, and one guest, Laura Shortnacy, guest of Lion Chuck Robertson.

Lion Roger Estlack advised Lions to be on the lookout to sign up for flag service for Memorial Day and said Lions elections will be upcoming.

There being no further business, we adjourned to spread Lionism and good cheer throughout our fair county.

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## College thespians

Warren Mays and Adriana Araujo perform in “When We Dead Awaken” last Wednesday at the Clarendon College Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center. The CC Theatre Department staged the play by Henrik Ibsen under the direction of Rodney Donahue.

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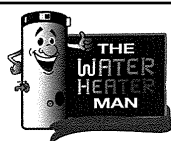
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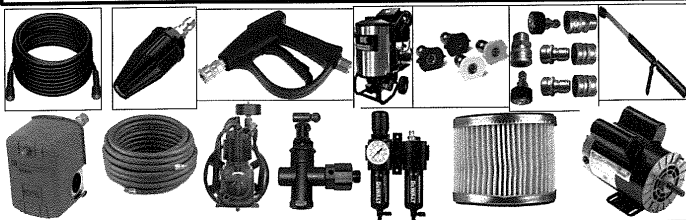
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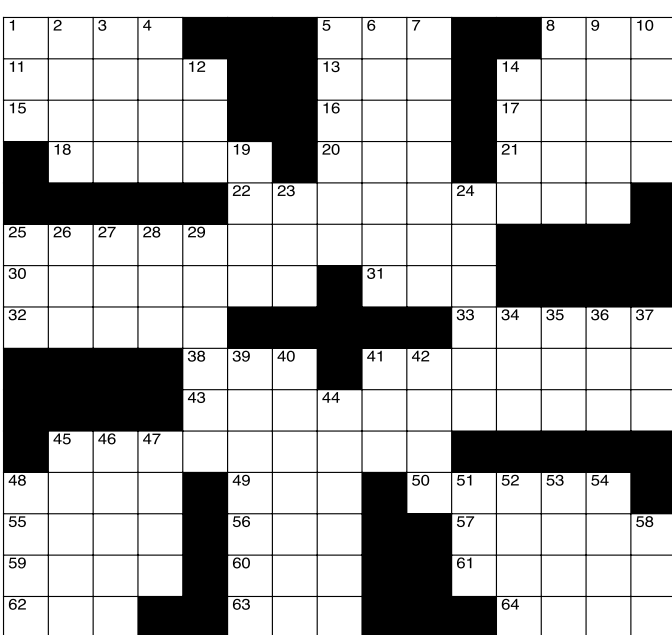
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## CLUES ACROSS

1. Herring-like fish
5. Perform on stage
8. Soda
11. Small growth
13. In support of
14. Step taken when walking
15. Hollyhocks
16. Returned material authorization (abbr.)
17. Feel pain
18. San Diego ballplayer
20. Inches per minute (abbr.)
21. Fat from a pig's abdomen
22. Create again
25. Honors once more
30. Thin coating of gold
31. Welsh river
32. Japanese novelist Mizumura
33. Husks of corn
38. Green vegetable
41. Showing guilt
43. Soldier
45. Photographers
48. Language spoken in Nigeria
49. Mimic
50. Expressed pleasure
55. Ancient Greek sophist
56. Beverage container
57. Night monkey genus
59. Lace bugs
60. Hogshead (abbr.)
61. Frameworks
62. Keyboard key
63. Greek goddess of the dawn
64. Influential Korean independence figure

## CLUES DOWN

1. A place to unwind
2. Helped (archaic)
3. Razorbill genus
4. Bleached
5. Continent
6. Fruit preserved in syrup
7. Impediment to one's freedom
8. Nocturnal rodents
9. Earthy pigment
10. Relieved oneself
12. Golf score
14. Tech hub \_\_ Alto
19. Sportscaster Andrews
23. Records electric currents
24. Popular Hitchcock film
25. Revolutions per minute
26. NY Giants legend
27. Sports radio host Patrick
28. When you hope to get somewhere
29. French seaport
34. Thai river
35. Rocker's accessory
36. Extra charge
37. Influential American president
39. Pain in the head
40. Great Plains people
41. Consumed
42. Soluble ribonucleic acid
44. Improves
45. Secret clique
46. Behind the stern of a ship
47. Dough made from corn flour
48. Fallow deer
51. Swiss river
52. Grayish white
53. Engrave
54. College's Blue Devils
58. Midway between south and southeast

# Making The Grade

## Clarendon

### 'A' Honor Roll

**1st Grade:** Brexlei Martindale, William Robertson, Kylee Glover, Lennon Morris, Sadie Shields, Ian Word, Miles Word

**3rd Grade:** Rebekah Bains, Shaylee Hall, Madilynn Oliver

**4th Grade:** Presley Lockhart, Elliott Robertson

**5th Grade:** Jax Vanden Boogaard

**6th Grade:** Cotton Halsey

**7th Grade:** Kassie Askew, Emma Christopher, Kase Zongker

**8th Grade:** Brance Bell, Braxton Gribble, Charlie Neal, Rustin Wade

**9th Grade:** Madison Green, Kennedy Halsey, Addison Haynes, Hudson Howard, Landry King, Justus McAnear, Hagen Newman, Flint Pittman, Makynna Williams

**10th Grade:** Hunter Caison, Shaun Childers, Zane Cruse, Elaina Estlack, Kinslee Hatley, Parker Haynes, George Howard, Marelli Mercado Vazquez, Dahlia Neal, Zakary Roberts

**11th Grade:** Kyler Bell, Madilyn Benson, Ayden Bordomaro, Tanner Cavanaugh, Shelby Christopher, Kashlyn Conkin, Ranger Drenth, Gracie Ellis, Elliot Frausto, Kenidee Hayes, Caleb Mays, Millie McAnear, Berkley Moore, Alexis Phillips, Sarah Shaw, Presley Smith, Megan Weatherhead

**12th Grade:** Joshua Allred, John Anderson, Lauren Cenicerros, Emily Clark, James Coles, Shelby Coles, Kennadie Cummins, Tandie Cummins, Hayden Elam, Benjamin Estlack, Ian Grant, Grant Haynes, Zackery Lockhart-Mckinney, Mariana Mercado Vazquez, Koltyn Shields, Maloree Wann, Bryce Williams, Gracie Wilkins, Chelsea Wright

### 'AB' Honor Roll

**1st Grade:** Mercie Arnold-Farmer, Viktor Benton, Sofia Blanchard, Daegan Hall,

Owen King, Wylie Kirby, Brantley White, Liam Wright, Maggie Ashbrook, Jayton Hodge, Isabelle Hudson, Tex Naylor, River Smith, J'Cole Stewart

**2nd Grade:** Josefina Alvey, Weston Burrow, Stetson Duncan, August Mof-fett, James Shelton, Rose Stone, Hunter Williams, Tate Chase, Braxton Henson, Azaylah Jaramillo, Madalyn Roberson, Penelope Roberson

**3rd Grade:** Brody Blanchard, Cutter Gaither, Clarah Lewis, Landree Martinez, Alix Roberts, Danlin Avila, Bennett Chesser, Kody Christopher, Adalynn Faridifar, Cohen Farris, Juliet Guerra, Choice Shadle, Kinze Zongker

**4th Grade:** Cutter Ashbrook, Strattan Burton, Eliseo Olivias, Wesleynn Shields, Addelay Snure, Rose Ybarra, Jeremiah Chambers, Kelton Herndon, Baylee Jones, Caden Meeks, Zachary Taylor, Ian Weatherhead

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**9th Grade:** Markeal Anderson, David Caudle, Madden Emerson, Jesslyn Guerra, Dakotah Jameson, Alexis Jantz, Josie Murillo, Kagan Robinson, Eliana Rodriguez, Jose Torres, Skylar Williams, Tristen Ybarra

**10th Grade:** Emily Dzamko, Kaitin Ehlert, Kendon Hanes, Amy King, Hayden Moore

**11th Grade:** Rowdy Bebout, Joshua Blais, Dakota Bond, Tyler Cavanaugh, Mary Jo Dushay, Emmarie Holland

**12th Grade:** Kaleb Bolin, Hunter Emer-

son, Riley Jantz, Cory Johnsen, Blake Ratcliff

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**Elementary:** Abby Jaramillo, Addie Shelton, Aislie Lewis, Alix Roberts, Asa Bains, Blake Christopher, Brantley White, Brecklynn Shelton, Brexlei Martindale, Brody Blanchard, Brooklyn Hudson, Camree Dean, Caroline Blackburn, Choice Shadle, Clarah Lewis, Cohen Farris, Cutter Gaither, Dacen King, Darren Sternadel, Dawson Hall, Elijah Aguilar, Elliott Robertson, Evan Bains, Israel De La Torre Avila, Jakayden Weatherston, James Shelton, Jamie Ryan, Jazmyn Ballard, Joshua Robinson, Kasie Shields, Kelton Herndon, Kensler Roberts, Kinze Zongker, Kody Christopher, Kylee Glover, Landree Martinez, Liam Wright, Logan Blanchard, Macien Donald, Mason King, Mercy Whetstone, Mia Jaramillo, Ollie Robertson, Owen King, Peyton Warren, Raegan Weldie, Rebekah Bains, Rose Stone, Ryker Schwertner, Shaylee Hall, Si Robinson, Slaid Pittman, Sofia Blanchard, Tex Naylor, William Robertson, Wylie Kirby, Zachary Taylor

**6th Grade:** Karson Faridifar, Kreedence Gaither, Lilly Keen, Zayden Shadlez, Hazeley, Norah Stoy, Cameron Taylor, Kinsleigh Thomas, Alexis Underwood Wan

**7th Grade:** Kassie Askew, Kennadi Gaither, Linley Hogle, Rylan Taylor

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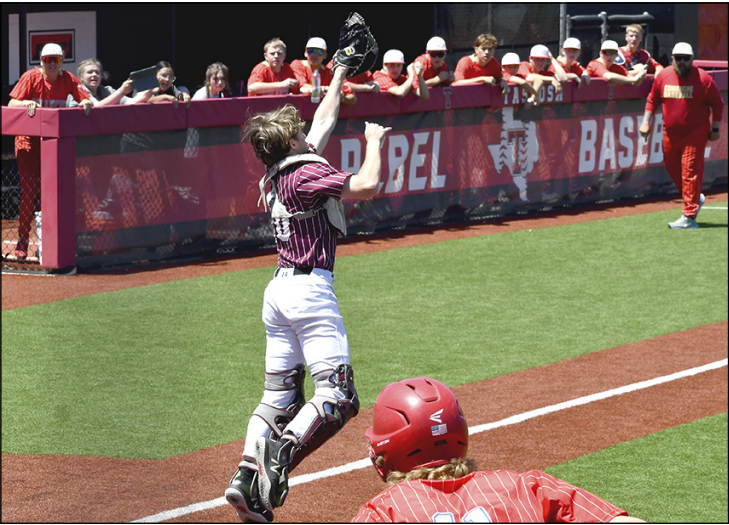
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Bronco Mason Sims pitches for the Broncos last week against West Texas High.

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Catcher Bryce Williams leaps for the ball Saturday against West Texas High.

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Third baseman Mason Allred throws to first for an out last week against West Texas High.

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### Broncos close out their season

By Sandy Anderberg

The Clarendon Broncos have had a good season, and it unfortunately ended too soon with two close losses to West Texas High at the Tascosa High School baseball field last weekend in Amarillo.

The Broncos narrowly lost the first game 2-3 in seven innings. Overall, the Broncos had three hits and one error while WT had three runs on three hits. Senior Colton Caudle was on the mound and allowed three hits, three runs, and four walks while striking out six batters. Caudle threw 54 strikes out of 84 pitches and faced 28 batters.

The Broncos struggled to get any big hits in the game. Caudle, Klay Wilkins, Bryce Williams accounted for the three hits with singles in the game. Caudle claimed an RBI while Wilkins had two base-on-balls. Kreed Robinson, Mason Allred, Shane Hagood, and Braylon Rice also earned a free base with walks. Allred and Rice claimed the two runs of the game, and Allred racked up three stolen bases with Rice and Mason Sims earning one each.

The Broncos were defeated 3-7 in the second game. Bronco Nation will miss all of the seniors who have given so much to CHS athletics.

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Senior Hayden Elam catches for the Lady Broncos last week against Hale Center.

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Shortstop Tandie Cummins gets ready to make a throw last week against Hale Center.

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Lady Bronco Maloree Wann gets a hit last week.

COURTESY PHOTO

## Lady Broncos are still in it to win it

By Sandy Anderberg

The Lady Broncos are determined, focused and on fire as they add another golden glove to their 2025 softball post season. They were able to knock off a solid Hale Center team by big numbers to advance to the next round which will be played against Bangs at the end of the week. They took the first game 11-0 and won the second 12-1.

The Lady Broncos will be ready to play the Bangs Lady Dragons for the Regional Semi-Final championship. Game one will be Thursday at 4 p.m. in Holiday, and game two will be at 2 p.m. on Saturday with game three to follow if necessary.

Senior Kennadie Cummins has not weakened all year and turned in a great performance last week from the hill in game one. Cummins pitched a no-hitter striking out eight of the 17 batters she faced in the five innings. Forty-seven of her 68 pitches hit the sweet spot and she gave up zero walks. Cummins' pitching along with a great in field and out filed behind her added up to an unstoppable defense and just as impressive was the clinic they put on at the plate in both games.

Cambree Smith came through like a freight train for the Lady Broncos hitting a grand slam to center field in the last inning of the game and a double in the previous inning to drive in one run to add five runs to the scoreboard.

Tandie Cummins swung the bat 'Cummins style' and slammed a homerun in the bottom of the fourth that went straight to the fence in center field. Elliot Frausto got the

scoring started in the first inning on a ground out that scored Hayden Elam.

The Lady Broncos took off in the fourth and fifth innings to score 10 big runs. Riley Jantz, Maloree Wann, Cummins, and Elam all posted one single and Smith, Jantz, and Shelby Christopher added a double each in the game. Overall, the Lady Broncos had nine hits, 11 RBI and 11 runs and two stolen bases in the win.


On Friday, the Lady Broncos never let up or backed down and earned the 10-run win with T. Cummins on the mound for the duration. Cummins threw 36 of 54 strikes allowing only one run and one walk and struck out two. The 26-5-1 Lady Broncos had seven hits, 11 RBI, and seven stolen bases in the game. Shelbi Coles was on fire on the diamond and accounted for two of their overall free bases.

A Lady Bronco quick start in the first inning sent a message to the Lady Owls that they were ready to win and were not going to let up. K. Cummins got ahold of the fourth pitch of the game and sent a message to the outfield that the ladies meant business.







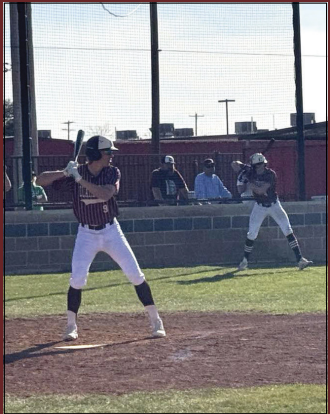
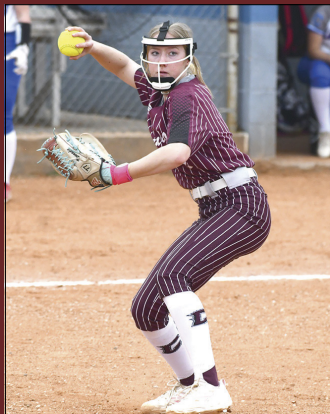

With two outs in the opening inning, Jantz took first base when she was hit by a pitch that allowed Elam to score with Frausto and Wann advancing one base with Frausto in scoring position. Christopher walked and Frausto snuck home before the inning was up. Frausto was also credited with a triple in the third that scored Smith, Elam, and T. Cummins.

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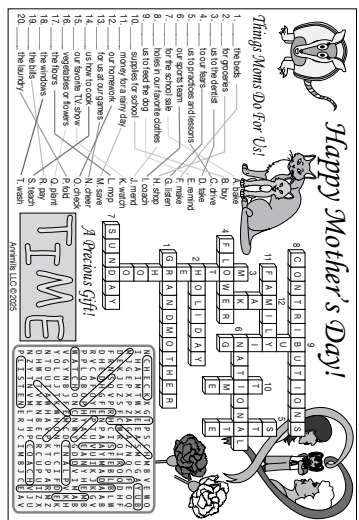
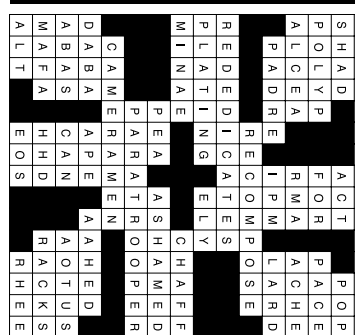
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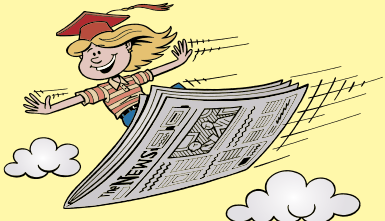
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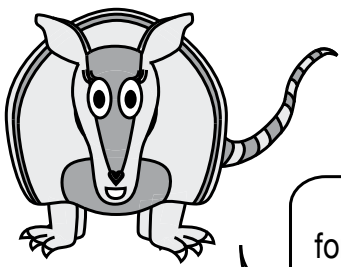
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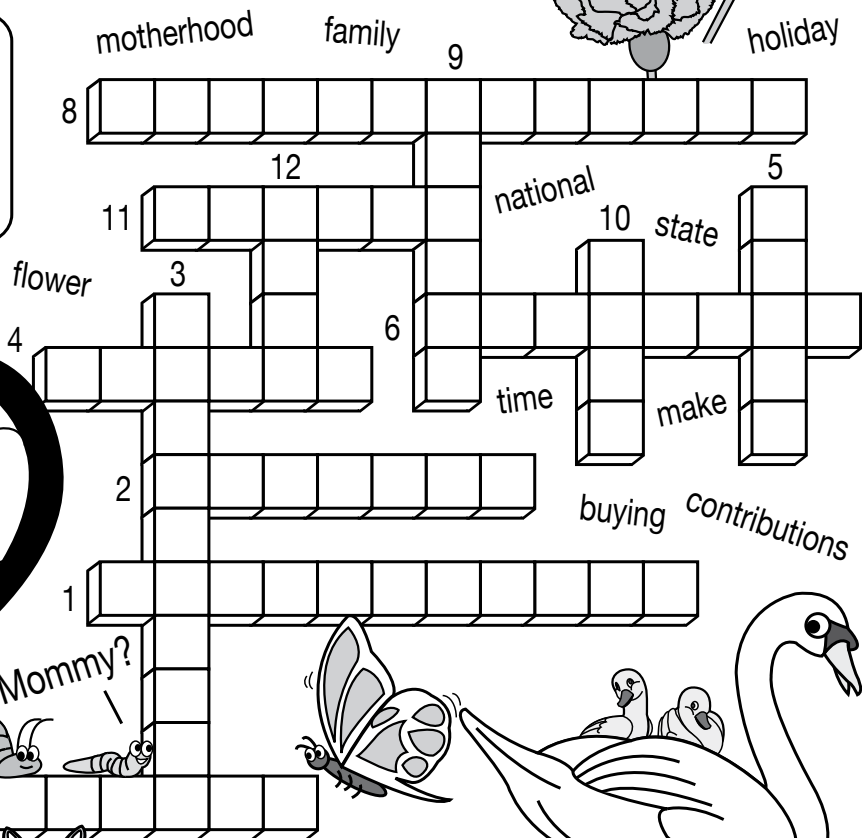
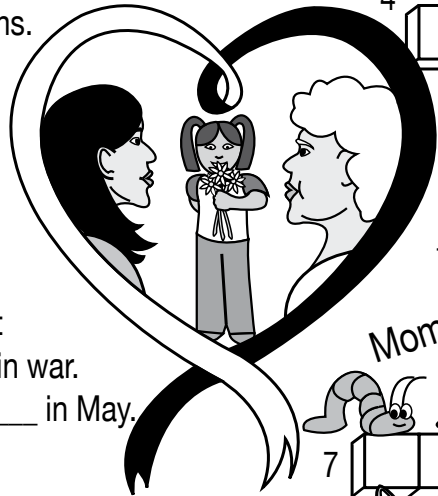
## Happy Mother's Day!



I made a funny card for my Mom!

I love Mother's Day! I was wondering how this lovely holiday for moms began, so I went to the library to do research to find out. I searched web sites on the computer. I found beautiful books full of stories and pictures. To find out what I learned about Mother's Day read my clues below, then fill in the crossword puzzle.

1. Mother's Day is a time to honor a mother, \_\_\_\_\_ or even a special aunt.
2. Soon after the death of her mother (in May 1905), a woman named Anna Jarvis urged people to support the idea of a national \_\_\_\_\_ for moms.
3. Anna wanted people to show respect for \_\_\_\_\_ and to give thanks for all the work that mothers do for us.
4. She gave out her mother's favorite \_\_\_\_\_, the white carnation, a custom that spread to many states.
5. Her home \_\_\_\_\_ of West Virginia was the first (in 1912) to have an official Mother's Day celebration.
6. On May 9, 1914, President Woodrow Wilson declared the first \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Day to honor mothers whose sons had died in war.
7. Mother's Day is now celebrated each year on the second \_\_\_\_\_ in May.
8. A beautiful, historic building in West Virginia was named The International Mother's Day Shrine and Museum. They hold teas and programs to promote the \_\_\_\_\_ of mothers (and other women) to our country.
9. Businesses promote the \_\_\_\_\_ of cards, flowers, jewelry and other gifts for Mother's Day.
10. Although it is nice when children give a gift, it is even more special when they take the \_\_\_\_\_ to write a letter or to do something special with their moms.
11. Often families attend religious services, have picnics or do \_\_\_\_\_ get-togethers or calls.
12. Can you \_\_\_\_\_ a breakfast, write and decorate a card or plan an activity for your mom's special day?



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Sometimes a white carnation is worn to honor a mother who has died and a red carnation is worn for mother who is still living.





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