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US 287 crossing at Kearney to close

The US 287 intersection will be closed to Kearney Street traffic starting next Tuesday, June 3, if work on the bridge behind the Donley County State Bank and Herring Bank begins on schedule. Southbound traffic will also be blocked from entering Sully, Jefferson, and Gorst streets from the highway.

Christ's Kids seeks summer donations

Christ's Kids Ministry is in need of monetary donations to provide daily meals this summer for their Summer Lunch Program. They will be feeding around 150 kids each weekday this summer. To ensure they can continue feeding these children until school starts back, they are still in need of nearly \$7,000 to buy food and supplies. If you are able, please send any donations to Christ Kids, PO Box 45, Clarendon, Texas 79226 or contact Ted Shaller at 806-277-0562.

Trash to Treasures deadline is May 29

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. Each participant 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 "treasure map" the week of the event indicating the location of each sale and will promote the citywide garage sale with regional advertising. For more information, call 874-2259 or come by the Enterprise office at 105 S. Kearney.

Hedley ISD plans June football camp

Hedley Football Camp will be held June 17-18 at Memorial Field in Hedley. The cost is \$25 and includes a t-shirt. Payment can be made online or in-person. Registration form link: <https://forms.gle/jdKVieP-kymdRqGD6> For more information, call Hedley ISD at 806-856-5323.



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Free at last

Members of the Clarendon High School Class of 2025 toss their mortar boards in the air following commencement exercises in the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center last Friday.

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Clark, Wann are top grads for CHS

Clarendon High School recognized Gracie Clark and Maloree Wann the top students for the Class of 2025 during graduation ceremonies at the Harned Sisters Fine Arts Center last Friday, May 23.

Emily Grace Clark, daughter of Gregg and Catherine Clark, is the Valedictorian for the Class of '25. She has maintained a 4.0 GPA and a place on the A Honor Roll for all of her four years at Clarendon High School. Gracie received Honor C awards in Algebra I Honors, Biology, Principles of Human Services, Geometry Honors, Algebra II Honors, English II Honors, Chemistry, Lifetime Nutrition & Wellness, and Anatomy & Physiology. During her

junior year, Gracie participated in UIL Science and was a member of the regional qualifying team. Gracie served as the Vice President of Student Council during her senior year, and as a representative throughout her freshman and junior years. Gracie served as the Vice President of the National Honor Society during her senior year, and as a member during her junior year.

Gracie was a member of the Gifted & Talented Program since Kindergarten. She completed 53 dual credit hours and was on the President's List for four semesters. She participated in service projects around



Gracie Clark



Maloree Wann

the school and town such as Snack Pak 4 Kids, Angel Tree program, Highway Cleanup, Vacation Bible School, Bread of Life Food Bank, and Mustard Seed Ministry.

Gracie plans to attend Hardin-Simmons University and major in Communication Sciences & Disorders.

Maloree Wann, daughter of Carey and Brandi Wann, is the class Salutatorian with a GPA of 3.93.

She attended CISD since pre-Kindergarten. Maloree was an extremely active member in multiple organizations while attending CHS. She was 2025 Class President, NHS President, Clarendon County 4-H President, and Student Council Secretary throughout her senior year. Maloree played softball four years and was Academic All-State First Team this year. She also participated in basketball one year, cross country two years, and cheerleading four years.

During her junior year, the Bronco Cheerleaders participated at the UIL State

Spirit Competition and made finals. Maloree was a three-time state qualifier in horse judging and horse quiz through Donley County 4-H. She also enjoyed attending the major stock shows with her swine projects. During her senior year, Maloree placed fifth in San Antonio in the duroc class and third in Houston with a different duroc pig. She participated in UIL Academics for four years and was a UIL Regional Qualifier three of those years. Finally, she led and organized the all-campus canned food drive held during December.

Maloree plans on attending Texas Tech University in the fall of 2025 to pursue a degree in animal science and pre-medicine.

Ehlert, Valles lead Hedley Class of 2025

Taylee Ehlert and Javier Valles were named the top students for the Class of 2025 for Hedley High School and were recognized during graduation ceremonies on May 15.

Ehlert was honored as the Valedictorian with a GPA of 3.904. She is the daughter of Thomas and Stephanie Ehlert. She has participated in basketball, track, tennis, One Act Play, cross country, yearbook, Plant ID, and cheerleading. Taylee is a National Honor Society member and was the Young Woman of the Year for Hedley.

Taylee plans to pursue a degree in horticulture and find a career that she truly enjoys.

Javier Valles is the Salutatorian for the Class of 2025 with a GPA of 3.758. He is the son of Patricia Valles. He has been actively involved in FFA, One Act Play, and is a member of the National Honor Society. Javier has received the Hedley Young Man of the Year award and earned a cheerleading scholarship to Wayland Baptist University.

Javier plans to attend Wayland this fall to pursue a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing.



Taylee Ehlert



Javier Valles

HHS seniors earn \$20k

Hedley High School's Class of 2025 has received almost \$20,000 in scholarships and awards, according to an announcement made during commencement exercises there on May 15.

Kyler Booth was the recipient of a Hedley Lions Club Scholarship worth \$200.

Malorie Collins is recipient of the Monroe Family "Lila Kate & Kylie Monroe/Tom Hoobler Memorial Scholarship for \$300 and a Hedley Lions Club Scholarship for \$200.

Billy Curry received a Hedley Lions Club Scholarship for \$200.

Taylee Ehlert is the recipient of the State of Texas Highest Ranking Graduate Scholarship, good for one free year of tuition at a public university valued at approximately \$9,300. She also received a West Texas A&M University Merit Award for \$2,500 per semester, the Greenbelt Electric Co-op Scholarship for \$1,500, the Billy Talley Memorial Scholarship for \$1,000, and a Hedley Lions Club Scholarship for \$200.

Javier Valles is the recipient of the Cheer Team Scholarship from the 2025 National Cheer America Champions at Wayland Baptist University for \$1,500 a semester. Valles also received the Donley County Retired School Personnel county-wide scholarship for \$350, a Hedley Lions Club Scholarship \$200, and the Monroe Family "Lila Kate & Kylie Monroe/Tom Hoobler Memorial Scholarship for \$300.



A Day of Remembrance

Members of Hedley's Adamson-Lane Post of the American Legion gathered for a ceremony in Rowe Cemetery Monday morning to mark the community's annual Memorial Day Service.

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Lexington and Concord were fights for rights

As we approach the 250th anniversary of the founding of our great nation, it is important to remember the events in 1775 that led to its birth. Studying these events help us understand the reasons colonists revolted.

Last month, as we commemorated the anniversary of the first battles of the American Revolution at Lexington and Concord, we learned that colonists did not start out fighting for our independence, but, in fact, the war actually started to guarantee colonists were treated properly as British subjects.

Colonists in 1775 were not looking for independence from the British; they were proud to be British. They were simply asking for their rights as British subjects be respected.

While the British had a king, he was not an absolute monarch like in France. Since the 1688 Glorious Revolution, England had what was called King-in-Parliament. In that year, Parliament invited William and Mary to rule over England with certain restrictions, one of which was only Parliament could tax, hence the saying, “No taxation without representation.”

While colonists had issues with Parliament and some of popular King George III’s ministers, abandoning the monarchy was not even remotely considered. King George was still considered appointed by God by most colonists. Parliament, on the other hand, was not so popular. With the new Sugar Tax, Stamp Tax, Tea Tax etc., restrictions on movement (Proclamation Line of 1763), when soldiers left colonial cities after the French and Indian War, it felt as if colonists were not treated as British citizens.

When the First Continental Congress met in 1774, no one was calling for independence; they were demanding their rights. Delegates, who pledged their support to the king, reinforced boycotts against British goods until colonists’ rights were respected. Congress recognized Parliament’s authority over matters of empire like wars or international trade, but because colonists were not represented in Parliament, issues such as taxation were left to colonial legislatures. Delegates also encouraged the colonies to better organize their militias and stockpile muskets and shot in case they had to stand up for their rights. This last issue led to the first fight.

Militias were colonists’ first line of defense, and colonists had the right to keep weapons, but when Thomas Gage, the military governor of Massachusetts, saw what colonists were doing, he became concerned. His colony had the most hotheads and he was probably right to worry about them. To stop any problem before it began, Gage decided to confiscate the weapon caches in different cities. He began with Charlestown and Cambridge but later, when he moved on Portsmouth, New Hampshire, his troops found the guns had been moved. It turned out Boston colonists had a spy network warning towns before soldiers could arrive. The network was led by Paul Revere and, while there is not solid proof, their source was likely Gage’s wife, a colonial sympathizer.

The big move came in April 1775 when Gage was given orders to move on Concord. Not only did Concord have a large stockpile of weapons, but Gage learned that was where John Hancock, Samuel Adams and other leaders of the Sons of Liberty were hiding. Knowing they were being watched, Gage put his own agents along the road to Concord to catch anyone from warning them. On the night of April 18 Gage put his men in boats and had them rowed across the bay to start their march to Concord in the dark. The colonists were prepared, however, as they had a signal in place.

When two lanterns were placed in the steeple of North Church, Revere and William Dawes knew it was time to act. Revere made it to Lexington, warning people along the way that the “regulars or redcoats” were coming. (Revere never would have said “the British” as everyone saw themselves as British at the time. “The British are coming,” saying comes from an 1861 poem by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.) Revere warned the leaders at Lexington but was captured by British spies on his way to Concord. It was others who made the entire “Midnight Ride,” but they did not make the Longfellow poem and so are not as revered as Revere.

The next morning, April 19, British troops arrived at Lexington. In their way stood Captain John Parker and about 70 brave minutemen who were prepared to stop their advance. However, these men rightfully began to lose courage as some 400 British troops showed up marching in perfect formation. The army ordered the minutemen to drop their weapons and disperse. Realizing they had little choice, colonists began to file away until a shot came from the woods, probably from a not-so-brave colonist. At that point, the army opened fire killing eight and wounding 10.

After Lexington, the army continued on to Concord. By then word had spread and the colonial numbers had reached more about 400. Colonists set up outside town to wait for reinforcements as the army marched in only to find the weapons had been moved. While the army was ordered to not damage property, they started a building on fire which prompted colonists to move into town. As the army prepared to leave, the two forces met.

To the army’s surprise, they encountered a growing well-trained militia they could not break. Realizing their situation, the army broke first and began the 20-mile march back to Boston. The march was much more difficult than the night before. Now lined up along the road behind stone walls and trees were colonial militia who took shots at the soldiers then ducked and ran to get ahead of then and take another shot. As more than 2,000 colonists had now shown up, it was hit-and-run tactics all the way back to Boston. In the end, more than 70 soldiers were killed and more than 170 wounded. Approximately 50 colonists were also killed.

The most interesting aspect about this battle was that we were not officially at war. It would be another 13 months until July 1776 when America declared its independence.

Most in the Continental Congress had no interest in independence. They had not even created the Continental Army nor had they appointed Washington to take command. This was all done organically. Colonists were still hoping the Parliament would treat them like the British subjects they wanted to be. Lexington, Concord and the death of British troops made it difficult to reconcile. However, it would still be many months and a few bigger battles before the congressional delegates decided it was time colonists tried it on their own.

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historically speaking
by dr. james finck

Lacey’s dogs brought in the hogs

Llano County in Texas abounded in acorns and wild hogs.

Because they lived in the wild, these hogs didn’t know what an ear of corn looked like, but they relished the acorns that were free for the asking on the ground. Therefore, in years in which there was a bumper crop of acorns, there was also a bumper crop of fattened hogs to send to market. That is, if you could catch them.

Catching the hogs was one of the challenges the Lacey brothers took on after moving to Llano County from Tennessee.

Riders on horseback can’t corral the hogs because they run between the horses’ legs, goring them with their tusks as they go. The riders can’t rope them because they run with their noses close to the ground. Ordinary dogs can’t handle the hogs either.

The Lacey brothers had three members of the canine family, none of which could be used for rounding up hogs. Frank Lacey had an English shepherd dog that was good at working sheep and cattle, but not hogs. John Lacey had a female greyhound, and George Lacey had a wolf that he kept tied to a live oak tree.

One day Frank got an idea. If they

could merge the characteristics of these three animals into a three-way crossbreed, they might produce an animal having the natural herding instinct of the

shepherd, the speed of the greyhound, and the stamina and trailing ability of the wolf. They succeeded in accomplishing the breeding, and the result was an instant success. The Laceys now were producing “hog” dogs that became known in those parts as Lacey dogs. Comparable in size to a wire-haired terrier, the Lacey dogs were reputed to be “tough as a boot, hard as nails, and enduring as a pocketknife.”

A Lacey dog brought the hogs in by leading, not chasing them into the corrals. After finding a hog out in the open country, the Lacey dog would torment the hog and cause him to start squealing. Then, as a whole family of fifteen or twenty hogs rushed into the rescue, the “Lacey” would circle about them at a safe distance and get them bunched together. Continuing to bark and snarl,



vignettes
tales of the old west
by george u. hubbard

the dog would tease the hogs until they got mad and started chasing him. Then off the Lacey would run, straight for the corral with the hogs hot on his tail. Inside the corral, the hogs would think they now had the dog cornered, but the dog merely jumped the corral fence as the men closed the gates of the corral.

“The dog does it by instinct,” Jake Winkel, a Llano County rancher claimed. “We don’t teach him.”

Lacey dogs were also useful for driving hogs to market. One local resident remembered his father buying several hundred hogs in Mason and driving them to the railroad pens at Llano.

“Those hogs would string out like a bunch of steers. Out in front would be our old lead dog, Jep, with other dogs on the sides to keep them out of the brush.”

Lacey dogs were prized animals. “I wouldn’t take a thousand dollars for my dog if I couldn’t get another,” one rancher claimed. “My dog is worth the pay of ten men. Last year I gathered seventy head of fat hogs with my Lacey dog. So you see that dog was worth \$3,000 to me in one season.”

George U. Hubbard is an author and former resident of Clarendon. His book, *The Humor & Drama of Early Texas*, is available from fine booksellers everywhere.



A 100-year American dream story

For the next three weeks, there’ll be too much about me, even if I apologize in advance for citing personal experiences, but they’re the only kinds I’ve had.

At their core will be remembrances of commencement ceremonies, mostly where I’ve been privileged to speak. For brief and shining moments, I’ve joined graduates, families and fellow educators in celebrating familial love, joy and unbounded hopes and prayers that graduates might make this world a better place.

Would that our culture could emerge once more from the paintings of the late Norman Rockwell, whose artistry on *The Saturday Evening Post* magazine covers was reason enough to subscribe. Or perhaps reclaim the rhymes and cartoons penned by the inimitable “Dr. Seuss” (actual name: Theodore Geisel). You’ll be better for “Googling” the lives of these men and/or visiting their museums in Massachusetts and California, respectively....

Digression aside, I’m re-claiming stand-out memories from some 300 ceremonies, spotlighting four from 1962, 1985 and 2025. At the first two, I was commencement speaker, and more recently, an audience onlooker, “punch proud” of two grandchildren who’ll be freshmen at Howard Payne University this fall. That’s where I was a freshman in 1956 and later was president, 1985-1997.

This day, the focus is on two ceremonies, both funeral in that they were the final school functions in rural locations where the good fight had been waged for several years before dwindling enrollment forced closure.

In 1963, it was London High School (near Junction), and in 1985, Old Glory (near Abilene). I was assured in both cases that my stumbling remarks weren’t totally to blame....

Weeping was heavy on both occasions. Undergirding, however, were memories of accomplishments that buoyed the communities’ souls. Both ceremonies were held in simple structures, London’s in an old barrack hauled in from a defunct military base, and Old Glory’s last school remnant now serving as the community center. London’s final class had four members, with Barbara Carpenter as valedictorian; Old Glory had three, with Maribel Castro as top student. Now Maribel Castro Garcia, she was one of a dozen children birthed by Isaac D. and Felicitas Mendoza Castro. Five siblings won the same honor.

Felicitas, born in Bryan, TX, arrived in Mexico with her parents as a toddler. She met her true love in the State of Guanajuato, Mexico. They joined three other couples at 5 a.m. to be married following early mass.

The couple came to Texas in 1960, with the children--speaking only Spanish--arriving two years later.

Four had attended school in Mexico, but they all were Old Glory students, warmly received there. All graduated there except the two youngest who transferred to Aspermont after Old Glory closed....



the idle american
by don newbury

So, they’re having Old Glory’s biggest party this century at 3 p.m., Saturday, May 31, 2025, to celebrate the 100th birthday of Isaac D. Castro. It’ll be held at the community center, where the couple will be honored by all 11 surviving children and spouses, 27 grandchildren, 23 “greats” and six “great-greats.” Seventy relatives in all, they’ll eat, laugh, love and share stories while listening to Papa’s favorite music.

It would be difficult to find a more thrilling story than the Castro’s. Space precludes details, but consider this: Children are Manuel, Joe, Violet (deceased in 2010 at age 59), Eustaquio, Isaac M., Pete, Silvia, Janie, Laura, Maribel, Marcos and Angela. They’ve become doctors, nurses, therapists, teachers, child protective service leaders and US Navy retirees. Isaac M. Castro is currently District Attorney for the 259 th Judicial District (Jones and Shackelford Counties).

It’ll be much more than a birthday party. They’ll honor a marriage of 79 years, and a work ethic spawned by the Bracero Program that enabled this wonderful family to live, learn and work on Hal Yakey’s farm....

Truly, they’ve lived the American dream.

Rockwell and Seuss would be proud.

Live on.... (Next week’s column, the 1962 London graduation.)

Dr. Newbury, a longtime speaker, may be contacted at [817-447-3872](tel:817-447-3872) or newbury@speakerdoc.com. At [website www.speakerdoc.com](http://www.speakerdoc.com), he reads his columns aloud, sometimes without stumbling....

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Obituaries

Tafoya

Johnnie Eloy Tafoya passed away peacefully on 04/15/2025 after a long battle with lung cancer. He put up a very good fight, but God had other plans.



Tafoya

Memorial graveside services will be held at 10 AM on Saturday, June 7, 2025, in Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon.

Cremation and arrangements are by Robertson Funeral Directors of Clarendon.

Johnnie was born in Raton, New Mexico on November 16, 1959, to Eloy and Pauline Tafoya (Hughes, Jacobs). He spent much of his life in New Mexico and Texas on farms and ranches. When he was six years old, he received a ride-on green toy tractor for Christmas. It seems he decided to become a farmer then and there. He rode that tractor day in

and day out to the exclusion of other toys. He could be heard imitating the sound of a tractor all day long. He was always quite handy with tools. At age three, he loved taking objects apart with a screwdriver. One day he managed to take down a large outdoor door that had separated two rooms in the house. It was quite a shock when that door hit the floor. He was sitting on the floor maybe two to three inches by that door with a screwdriver in his hand. Nobody could figure out how he managed to take that door down. Needless to say, all tools were kept out of his reach for a while. He was always very smart and could usually figure out a way to get what he wanted. He attended schools in Farwell, Texico, Grady and Melrose.

He worked as a long-haul truck driver for many years as well as in many aspects of farmwork. He was well trained in farming, construction work, carpentry and electrical work. He was very knowledgeable about cars and was a licensed diesel mechanic. He could tell you what was wrong with a car just by listening to it run. He liked farming but he didn't like working with cattle though, saying they were only good for nice, thick steaks on his plate.

One of his favorite farming tasks was harvesting cotton. He stated on more than one occasion that he "loved" to harvest cotton, looking back and seeing a clean field behind him.

He is survived by his beloved wife Anna Gay (Leeper), sisters Jennifer Kay (Rubin) and Julia (Orlando), and a number of nieces and mostly nephews, his Uncle Ernie (Gloria), cousin Ralph, Aunt Lydia and a host of cousins on both sides of the family. He is also survived by Pati (Trent), Stacey and grandchildren that he loved dearly Addison, Zayne and Jackson. He is also survived by his dear sister-in-law Scharla (James), Bryan (Kris) and Tommy (Jackie). He had a number of friends. He has also left behind Joe Rivas, a childhood friend, Cody and Amanda, Austin, Shane and many people he thought the world of. He was also a good friend to have. Johnnie is predeceased by his parents and Rudolf in 1956 (infant brother).

Many thanks to Scharla, Cody and Amanda, Austin, Shane, and all those good people who went out of their way to help Anna Gay and Johnnie during those last difficult days.



Cleaning crew

Members of the Rowe Cemetery Association held a work day recently to clean up the cemetery. Among the volunteers donating their time were Lon Adams, Shauna Herbert, Tanya Gibson, and Gail and Johnny Hill.

COURTESY PHOTO



On target

Donley County 4H Archery members competed at the state indoor meet March 21-22 resulting in a second place silver metal for Rose Yabarra in Junior NASP with Kutter O'Keefe bringing home a fourth place award in Intermediate NASP. Rose and Kutter are shown here with Coach P.J. O'Keefe.

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Beef Council celebrates Beef Month with new video series

Just in time for National Beef Month, Texas Beef Council (TBC) is firing up the grill with "Sizzle & Smoke with Jerry," a new video series packed with flavor and practical tips for home cooks who want to elevate their beef game.

Funded by beef producers through the Beef Checkoff, the series is hosted by expert Grill and Pit Master Jerry McPherson and breaks down four beef recipes step by step, from slow-smoked Brisket to mastering the perfect sear. The expert-led guidance is geared to help anyone from first-timers to seasoned backyard pros confidently tackle beef dishes.

"It isn't just about learning to grill or smoke, it's about building confidence and a passion for cooking beef," says McPherson. "When viewers gain new skills and excitement, they become advocates for our mission while supporting beef pro-

ducers across Texas." Given the increasing consumer interest in preparing high-quality beef cuts, the series is presented in an entertaining and easy-to-follow format. Viewers can follow Jerry as he prepares four delicious recipes, including smoked Tri-Tip, Thai Burgers, grilled Picanha, and reverse seared Tomahawk Steak.

"In our digital landscape, we know video is crucial for effectively communicating all that beef brings to the table," says Rachel Chou, TBC director of consumer marketing. "With videos like 'Sizzle & Smoke,' we can powerfully demonstrate techniques from a popular TBC personality like Jerry who resonates with our Beef Loving Texans community."

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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
Three-Person Scramble • Clarendon Country Club • Call 806-874-2166

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

June 11
Route 66 Festival - TX 66 East Bus Tour Tours from Amarillo stop at Jericho and other eastern Panhandle communities. For more information, visitamarillo.com/events/route-66

June 17-19
Clarendon College FFA Leadership Camp Student leaders from FFA chapters across the Texas Panhandle and South Plains will learn new skills and practice team-building.

July 4
Fourth of July Scramble • Clarendon Country Club • Call 806-874-2166

July 4
Lions Club Bingo
Lions Hall, 11 a.m. • ClarendonTX.com for details

July 3, 4, & 5
Saints' Roost Celebration
Craft Fair, Parades, BBQ, Turtle Race, Ranch Rodeo, Live Music, Dancing, and more.

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Menus

June 2 - 6

Donley County Senior Citizens
Mon: Chicken spaghetti, broccoli, garden salad, garlic toast, fruit cup, iced tea/2% milk.
Tues: Polled pork sandwich, French fries, coleslaw, cantaloupe, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Goulash, mixed greens, cornbread, coconut cake, iced tea/2% milk.
Thurs: Pile on, tortilla chips, pinto beans, Spanish rice, garden salad, sliced peaches w/ whipped topping, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Steak fingers, gravy, red skin potatoes, black eyed peas, hot rolls, chocolate cake, iced tea/2% milk.

Hedley Senior Citizens
Mon: Pork loin, brown rice, peas & carrots, whole wheat roll, fruit crisp, iced tea/2% milk.
Tues: Beef soft tacos, cheese, refried beans, Spanish rice, mixed green salad, sopapilla cheesecake, iced tea/2% milk.
Wed: Chicken fried steak, country gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans w/bacon & onion, whole wheat biscuits, fruit cobbler, iced tea/2% milk.
Thurs: Mexican pile on, cheese, beans, Spanish rice, garden salad, fruit, iced tea/2% milk.
Fri: Bacon cheeseburger, onion rings, dessert, iced tea/2% milk.



The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting May 27, 2025, with Boss Lion Pro Tem Larry Capranica swinging the gavel.

We had a small but mighty pride due to people being out of town and others thinking Tuesday was Monday because of the holiday.

In local reports, the Chamber has opened registration for the Saints' Roost Celebration Herring Bank Parade and Liberty Electric Kids Parade, the theme for both of which is Candy Land. Also, the annual Trash to Treasures Garage Sale event is June 7, and work continues on sidewalks downtown.

Lions and Scouts will pick up flags at Citizens Cemetery on Wednesday, May 28, at 5:30 p.m., weather permitting.

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



Special recognition
Students receiving special recognition during Clarendon High School's graduation last Friday were Knorpp Cup outstanding student winner Grant Haynes, Salutatorian Maloree Wann, and Valedictorian Gracie Clark.

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SBA disaster loan deadline June 23

The US Small Business Administration (SBA) is reminding eligible small businesses and private non-profit (PNP) organizations in Donley County and elsewhere in Texas of the June 23 deadline to apply for low interest federal disaster loans to offset economic losses caused by drought beginning August 27, 2024.

The declaration covers the Texas counties of Archer, Armstrong, Baylor, Bowie, Briscoe, Carson, Collingsworth, Delta, Donley, Foard, Franklin, Gray, Hall, Haskell, Jack, King, Knox, Lamar, Morris, Palo Pinto, Red River, Stephens, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Titus, Wheeler, Wichita, Wilbarger and Young as well as Oklahoma counties of Choctaw and McCurtain.

Under this declaration, SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program is available to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, nurseries, and PNPs

impacted by financial losses directly related to the disaster. The SBA is unable to provide disaster loans to agricultural producers, farmers, or ranchers, except for small aquaculture enterprises.

EIDLs are available for working capital needs caused by the disaster and are available even if the business or PNP did not suffer any physical damage.

The loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills not paid due to the disaster.

"SBA loans help eligible small businesses and private nonprofits cover operating expenses after a disaster, which is crucial for their recovery," said Chris Stallings, associate administrator of the Office of Disaster Recovery and Resilience at the SBA. "These loans not only help business owners get back on their feet but also play a key role in sustaining local economies in the aftermath of a disaster."

The loan amount can be up to \$2 million with interest rates as low as 4% for small businesses and 3.25% for PNPs with terms up to 30 years. Interest does not accrue, and payments are not due until 12 months from the date of the first loan disbursement. The SBA sets loan amounts and terms based on each applicant's financial condition.

To apply online, visit 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.

For people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

Submit completed loan applications to the SBA by June 23.



Taylor Ehlert gives the Valedictorian speech at graduation.

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Javier Valles gives the Salutatorian address during graduation at HHS.

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Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

At the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline, we understand that life's challenges can sometimes be difficult. Whether you're facing mental health struggles, emotional distress, alcohol or drug use concerns, or just need someone to talk to, our caring counselors are here for you. You are not alone. We are available 24/7/365 to help you!

SAMHSA's National Helpline, 1-800-662-HELP (4357) (also known as the Treatment Referral Routing Service), or TTY: 1-800-487-4889 is a confidential, free, 24-hour-a-day, 365-day-a-year, information service, in English and Spanish, for individuals and family members facing mental and/or substance use disorders. This service provides referrals to local treatment facilities, support groups, and community-based organizations.

Also visit the online treatment locator or send your zip code via text message: 435748 (HELP4U) to find help near you.

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CC announces honors lists for spring 2025

Clarendon College is proud to recognize the outstanding academic achievements of students who have been named to the President's List and Dean's List for the Spring 2025 semester. These distinctions celebrate students who have demonstrated exceptional dedication to their studies and academic excellence throughout the term.

To earn a place on the President's List, students must have completed at least 12 semester credit hours and achieved a perfect 4.0 grade point average. This honor reflects the highest level of academic performance at Clarendon College. The Dean's List recognizes students who have earned a grade point average between 3.6 and 3.00, while also completing at least 12 semester credit hours by the end of the semester. These students have shown strong academic commitment and consistency in their coursework.

"We are proud to celebrate the accomplishments of our students who have demonstrated focus, resilience, and excellence this semester," said Mr. Texas Buckhaults, President of Clarendon College. "Their hard work not only reflects their individual determination but also enriches our entire academic community."

Making the President's List were: Joshua Mason Allred, Clarendon, TX; Jaime Aranda, Childress, TX; David Barraza, Pampa, TX; Lyndsey Bivins, Pampa, TX; Kenneth Dwayne Burkhalter, Childress, TX; Briseyda Araly Cantu, Memphis, TX; Emerson Faith Castillo, Amarillo, TX; Shelby Lynn Christopher, Clarendon, TX; Marticka Carzette Crain, Pampa, TX; Cynthia Rae Daniels, Pampa, TX; Shubb Nirav Doshi, Pampa, TX; Addison Shianne Edmondson, Childress, TX; Gracie R Ellis, Clarendon, TX; Gabriel Espinoza; Memphis, TX; Benjamin Estlack, Clarendon, TX; Gloria Flores, Amarillo, TX; Alexis Rene Gardenhire, Pampa, TX; Briana Michelle Goff, Childress, TX; Katelyn Elizabeth Hammer, Canadian, TX; Nathan Thomas Hand, Childress, TX; Sydnee; Hatfield, Pampa, TX; Yanci Deene Hutchison, McLean, TX; Lylli Marie Kayakone, Amarillo, TX; Stacy Jo Keely, Pampa, TX; Addison Kelly; White Deer, TX; Jake Reid Lamb, Encino NM; Dahlia Mayre Lujan, Amarillo, TX; Mandy Lujan, Wheeler, TX; Ethan Riley Lupplace, McAllen, TX; Sandra Rose Martinez, Canyon, TX; Jorge Alberto Mayorga, Childress, TX; Millie Marie McAnear, Clarendon, TX; Shonise Meekins, Pampa, TX; Monique Danielle Meraz, Pampa, TX; Omar Morin, Childress, TX; Michael Wade Morton, Whitehouse, TX; Francisca Guadalupe Munoz, Pampa, TX; Leaja S Neese, Amarillo, TX; Laci E Newlin, Amarillo, TX; John Everett Parham, Pampa, TX; Aimee Parker, Amarillo, TX; Cole Thomas Pierce, Childress, TX; Krista Belle Pierce, Childress, TX; Maddison Gene Putman, Amarillo, TX; Sandra L Quintanilla, Amarillo, TX; Jennifer Rancey, Amarillo, TX; Zayra Yamile Rodriguez, Amarillo, TX; Alexia Rogers, Tyler, TX; McKinzy Mayleigh Segura, Panhandle, TX; Ryan Lloyd Shartzter, Childress, TX; Antonio Soria, Pampa, TX; Maddison G Sorrell, White Deer, TX; Micheala Marie Truitt, Canyon, TX; Velora Villarreal, Amarillo, TX; Idalis Alessandra Villazana, Amarillo, TX; Ciara ReAnn Watts, Canadian, TX; Kourtney Lyn Williams, Amarillo, TX; Camila Yuridia Aguilar, Pampa, TX; Ivan Aguilar, Childress, TX; Valeri Diane Anguiano, Pampa, TX; Adriana Victoria Araujo, Clarendon, TX; Joshua Aaron Booth, Memphis, TX; Tom Robert Chessell, Buderim, Australia; Emily Grace Clark, Memphis, TX; Courtlyn Cole Conkin, Clarendon, TX; Christiana Marisol Delgado, Childress, TX; Ronin Eryk DeMaroney, Pampa,

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- CLUES ACROSS
1. Bring up

7. Child

10. Formal written defense

12. Bangladeshi currency

13. Burial site

14. In the lead

15. Large recesses in a church

16. Count on

17. Defunct phone company

18. Golf scores

19. Afflicts

21. Defensive nuclear weapon

22. Prominence

27. "The Great Lakes State"

28. SoCal ballplayer

33. Location of White House

34. Magnificence

36. Hip hop songstress

37. Capital of Yemen

38. ___ Blyton, children's author

39. Bomb

40. Pancake made of buckwheat flour

41. Pinkish-violet color

44. A way to make right

45. Monument to one buried elsewhere

48. Region south of Dead Sea

49. Acts out against

50. Harsh cry of a crow

51. Formal title for a woman

- CLUES DOWN
1. Kitchen devices

2. Wings

3. Mythological birds

4. Everyone has one

5. Matchstick game

6. Bar bill

7. Weights

8. Satisfactorily

9. Small amount

10. Tree types

11. Small protuberances

12. Equivalent of 100K BTU

14. Type of horse

17. More (Spanish)

18. Argentinian province

20. A bad act

23. Moving in a circular way

24. Battery type

25. Atomic #58

26. Popular breakfast food

29. An alternative

30. Tooth caregiver

31. A way to conform

32. Disfigured men

35. Cool!

36. Genus of mosses

38. Body part

40. Kashmiri people

41. Round water pot

42. Something to purchase

43. Emit coherent radiation

44. Indicates 10

45. Advertising metric

46. Pitching stat

47. Head movement



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Lady Broncos leave unmatched legacy

By Sandy Anderberg

In a season that was full to the brim with successes, the 2025 Lady Bronco softball team will long be remembered not only for their history-making time on the diamond, but for their energy, comradery, dedication, academic excellence, and every other descriptive word that can be thought of.

Despite being eliminated in the State semi-final round by the Riesel Lady Indians this past week, the Lady Broncos are winners in every aspect of the game and in life. The seniors of this of this history-making team will move on to their next adventure as they pass the bat to very capable underclassmen.

The Lady Broncos gave their all in the State semi-final game, but dropped game one 1-13 and game two 2-12. Head Coach Brad Elam could not say enough about the Lady Bronco team.

“I’m very proud of these young ladies and all they have accomplished,” Elam said. “It was so fun to watch how they have grown and

developed in softball and in their love for each other and God. I could not have asked for a better group.”

Losing has not been common for the ladies who finished at 30-6-1 for the season defeating teams by double numbers and limited innings. The loss to Riesel broke an eight-game winning streak that allowed the Lady Broncos a District, Bi-District, Area, Regional Semi-Final, Regional Final golden glove trophy before adding the State Semi-Final game to their resume.

All season long, the dynamic duo of Tandie and Kennadie Cummins was lethal on the mound, and Hayden Elam was vigorous behind the plate. Maloree Wann owned first base, and Riley Jantz and Shebi Coles grabbed everything hit to the outfield. Chelsea Wright and Gracie Wilkins gave their all for the team as well. Guided by Elam and Jordan Enriquez the team became a determined group to be reckoned with. Backed up by a group of very talented underclassmen, the Lady Broncos’ future is bright to say the

least.

However, saying good-bye is not easy. Not only do the underclassmen have to say good-bye to their senior leaders, they are saying so long to one of Clarendon’s best coaches. In his 22 years at Clarendon, Elam is retiring. His success at CHS will go down in history along with the Lady Broncos. Elam spent his first years at Clarendon at the helm of the Bronco Baseball team, which had many successes on the field and participated in numerous playoff games. Who knew four years ago when Elam made the change that his last year, along with daughter Hayden, would be one for the record books. Elam has definitely made a difference at CHS and will be missed along with Enriquez who will be moving on to River Road.

Thank you, 2025 Lady Broncos, you lit Clarendon on fire and played every sport with intensity and determination, and another year is knocking at the door. Seniors, what a ride; you will be missed, but never forgotten.

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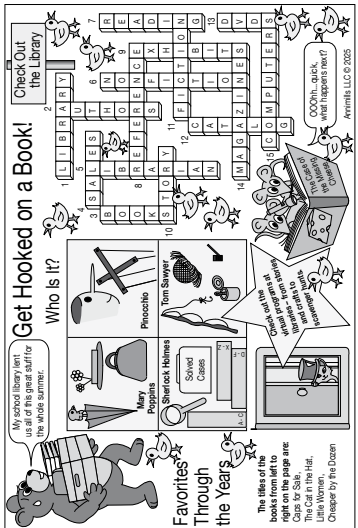
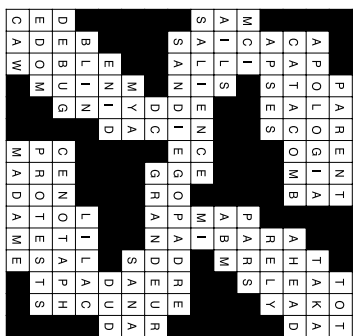
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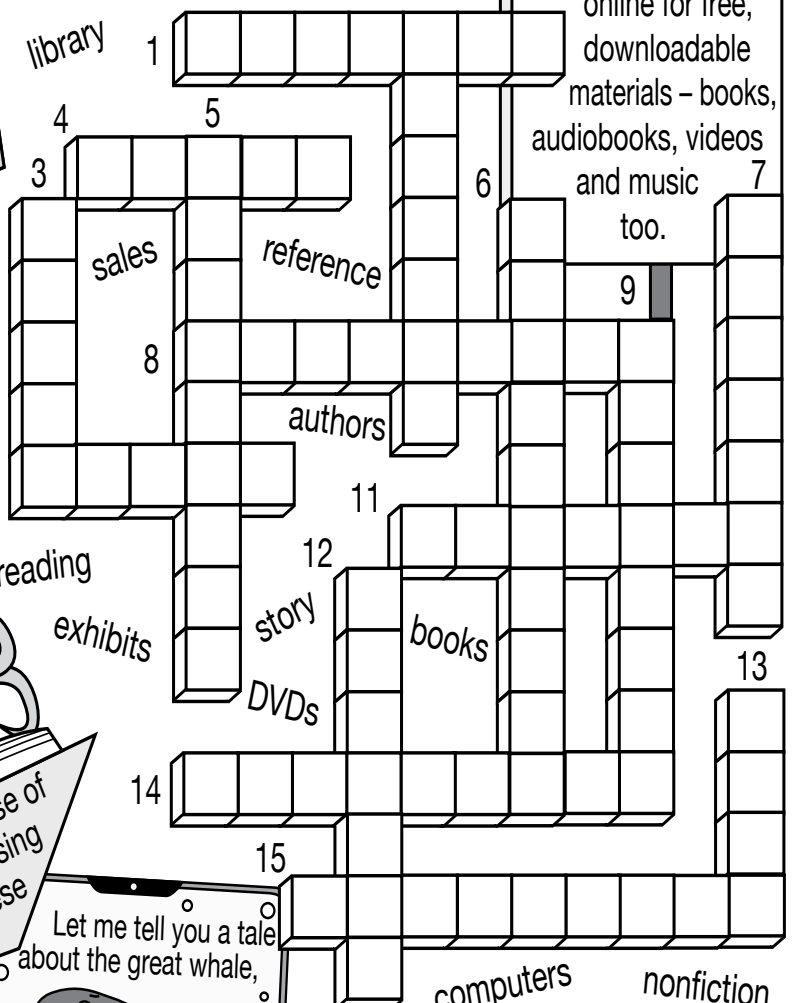
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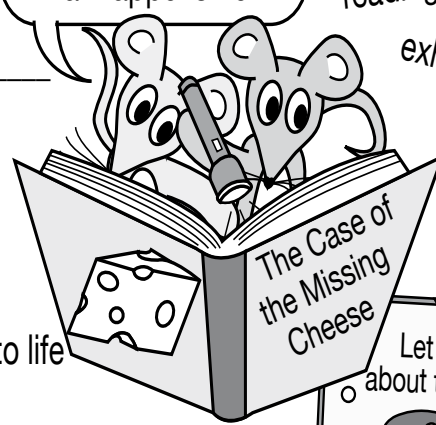
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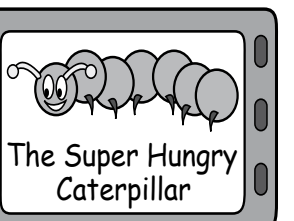


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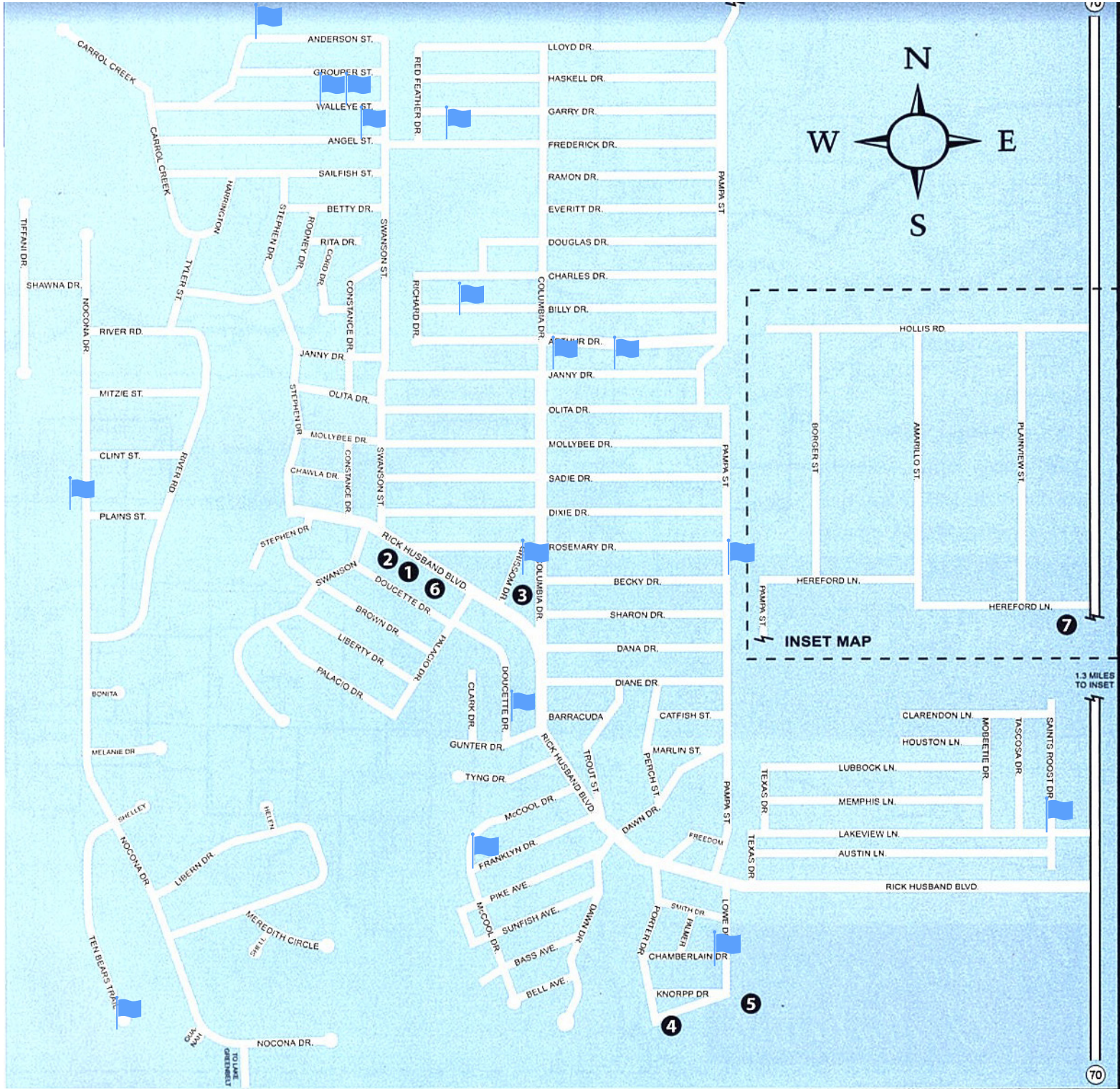
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