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#### **THIS WEEK**

- 2 Congress needs to act to save the US Post Office.
- 4 Local veterans can learn more about benefits at an upcoming event.
- 6 Rodeo popularity leads to changes in college region.
- 8 And sidewalk improvements continue in downtown.
- All this and much more as The Enterprise reports in this week's amazing edition!

#### **Parade entries due** next Wednesday

"Candy Land" is the theme for this year's Saints' Roost Celebration parades because life is sweet in Donley County. Entries are due by 5 p.m. on July 2.

Parade entries should reflect the classic board game or favorite candies. Entry forms are available at the Visitor Center and online at ClarendonTX.com/parade.

The Liberty Electric Kids' Bicycle & Tricycle Parade will begin July 5 at 9 a.m. The Kids' Parade will line up and register at 8:30 at Third and Sully.

Line up for the Herring Bank Parade begins at 9 a.m. at Prospect Park with the parade taking off at 10:00. The Herring Bank Parade features \$850 in cash prizes with \$250 available for the best float, \$150 for the best car or truck entry, \$150 for the best animal or riding unit, \$150 for the best tractor or farm equipment entry, and \$150 for the best "other" entry.

Only entries registered by 5:00 p.m. on July 2 are eligible to win the prizes in both parades.

For a completed celebration schedule, see the ad on page three of this issue or visit ClarendonTX.

#### Fish Fry to be held this Friday, June 27

St. Mary's Catholic Church will hold a Fish Fry on Friday, June 27, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at 510 E. Montgomery.

Dine-in and carry-out options are available, and tickets are \$15 for adults and \$7 for kids. Call-in orders are welcome at 806-874-3910.

Proceeds benefit the Church Building Fund.

#### **Athletic physicals** offered on July 11

Clarendon CISD athletes are advised that sports physicals will be given at Clarendon Family Medicine on Friday, July 11, from 1:00-5:00 p.m.

The cost is \$35 per athlete on this day cash only. No appointment is necessary. Paperwork will be available at the clinic.

Physicals are required for all incoming seventh, ninth, and eleventh graders and any athlete who has had a major injury.

If an athlete cannot make it that day, parents will have to call for an appointment and the cost will be \$50 for a physical.





Architect Tracy Hirschman Hutson examines a section of facing brick that is bulging on the south side of the Donley County Courthouse during a visit here on Monday. Following up from her right hand, it is visible how the brick has moved out over time.

## **Courthouse** work focuses on brick wall

Architects and contractors visited the Donley County Courthouse Monday ahead of a new \$3.1 million preservation

Architect Tracy Hirschman Hutson said most of the work will be focused on repairing locations on the south side of the building where the red facing brick is pulling away from the structure.

Bulges indicating movement in some of those locations were first recognized during the restoration of the 1890 structure two decades ago. Without the budget to properly address the issue, steel helical anchors were sunk into the masonry behind the facing bricks in an attempt to stop the movement. The passage of time as shown that the movement is still ongoing.

Hutson said workers will open up small sections of the brick to determine the overall condition of the wall before moving ahead with removing and resetting the brick in the affected areas.

Monday's visit was part of the ongoing value engineering taking place with architects and with Premier Commercial Group, the contractor selected to lead project. Premier led restoration work after a 2021 freeze caused major flooding in the building. Hutson said the mason who will lead the work on this project is a third-generation brick and stone mason.

After the brick issues are address, the remaining project funds will be directed to working on the sandstone wainscoting of the building, which has long had problems with spalling or flaking. Hutson said the ideal way to solve that issue is to chisel back about four inches of the affected stone and then install a new stone face in that place.

The Texas Historical Commission's Courthouse Preservation Program has awarded \$2,594,974 for this project with the county matching the grant with \$457,937 in its own courthouse maintenance fund.

The Donley County Courthouse is the oldest functioning courthouse in the Texas Panhandle. The building was restored by the Texas Courthouse Preservation Pro-

## **Enterprise wins TPA** Sweepstakes Award

recognized The Clarendon Enter- ies by Roger Estlack on the role of prise as one of the best weekly news- newspapers and the Cub Reporter papers in the state Saturday, June 21, turning 18, First Place for Sports in Denton.

time in four years, besting its com- the efforts of anti-abortion activist petitors in Division 9 for weekly Mark Lee Dixon. papers in the 2024 Better Newspaper Contest. Clarendon placed in ten cat- First Place in Feature Photos for egories and won first place in five of entries by Anndria Newhouse,

ognized again by our peers for the Enterprise has a knack for capturing work we put into our newspaper and the human face and a willingness are proud to bring this recognition to play it up on the page. Love the to our community," publisher Roger energy of these photos." Estlack said.

we are very blessed to have a super Sections and Headline Writing, talented team. Local journalism Third Place for News Photography, cannot exist without local support, and Fourth Place for News Writing and we are thankful for the readers and Sports Photography by Elaina and advertisers who support us and Estlack, Tara Allred, and Roger encourage us."

The Enterprise earned First

The Texas Press Association Column Writing for commentar-Coverage by Sandy Anderberg, and The Enterprise earned the First Place in Editorials on the topics Sweepstakes Award for the third of a proposed sales tax district and

The Enterprise also received Ashlee Estlack, and Kari Lindsey "We are honored to be rec- with judges writing, "The Clarendon

The local paper also earned "This is truly a group effort, and Second Place honors for Special Estlack.

The Enterprise was first in the Place in Advertising for ads designed Division 9 Sweepstakes count with by Tara Allred, Roger Estlack, 675 points followed by the Flatonia and Ashlee Estlack, First Place in Argus with 400 points, the Texas competed against publications of the TPA for the coming year.



Ashlee and Roger Estlack hold the awards earned by The Clarendon Enterprise from the Texas Press Association's Better Newspaper Contest last weekend.

Spur with 400 points, and the similar circulation. Seventy-four

The 2024 Texas Better Newspaper Contest featured 17 categories. Participating newspapers were by members of the Kansas Press invited to submit entries from work Association. published during the calendar year 2024. This year, 108 newspapers attended the TPA Convention submitted 1,021 entries in the con- and accepted the awards for the test. Competitions were divided Enterprise. Roger Estlack was also into divisions in which newspapers elected as second vice president of

Archer City News with 350 points. weekly newspapers competed in divisions 5 through 10.

Entries were judged this year

Roger and Ashlee Estlack

## **Public input** sought for disaster plan

The public will have a chance to discuss a countywide a county disaster plan when the Clarendon CISD Trustees host a public meeting July 7, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

The 2025 Donley County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update includes mitigation actions intended to minimize the impacts of certain natural hazards on the residents of

The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, as amended, requires that local governments develop, adopt, and update natural hazard mitigation plans in order to receive certain federal assistance. The former hazard mitigation plan was adopted in 2019, and should be updated with FEMA at least every five (5) years.

A copy of the Donley County plan update is now available for review in the County Judge's office, City Halls, School Administration Buildings, or it may be reviewed online at: http://bit.ly/3T4cbgj

The meeting is open to the public and residents are encouraged to attend to offer feedback.



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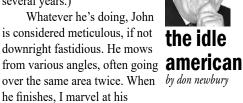
## The fine art of people watching

In generations past, it was an admitted, frequently-discussed diversion. "People-watching" was a pastime with which we could all identify. Many conversations began with, "You won't believe what I saw the other day," or other similar expressions.

Some went to great lengths for such gazes, traveling to places like Las Vegas, New Orleans, New York City and even international destinations. The diversion also is popular on cruise ships, many of which are currently traversing the Gulf of America (??).

Lest it appear that diversions might cost legs, arms and/or other appendages, there are times when we are beneficiaries of "free gawking.".....

I noticed recently that our neighbor, John Munson, was raking leaves. (He and his wife, Cindy, are worldclass neighbors. I'd say this even if he hadn't been mowing and edging our lawn weekly for several years.)



work, figuring golf's best greenskeepers would bow in his presence. Seeing his handiwork, serious golfers would feel an urge to putt. (Aside: Word has it that his mowing is several strokes better than his golfing.)

Today, though, I'm revealing an observation of growing frustration that engulfs John each time he attempts to bag leaves. Until now, his fumbled attempts required mulligans....

A couple of years ago, John bought an obelisk-shaped wire frames (think four equal sides, but somewhat smaller at the top than the bottom). Then, envision a late-night TV "come-on" describing how a simple wire frame has revolutionized bagging of yard work residue.

With a "who-needs-instructions" sheet tossed aside, John has wrestled with the frame since its arrival. Each time – as if to achieve maximum balance he has placed the "big end" down.

Had he watched the TV ad closely – and/or read the instructions – he would have known that the "big end" goes UP, allowing easy bag attachment. (The smaller end has four small grips to assure balance.) But, we aren't talking tornado survival here, even if the ad may claim such....

The other day, he noticed that I - a few feet away under the tree shade, sipping lemonade – was watching him. Perhaps he saw my mouth drop as he bagged leaves so effortlessly. Anyway, he trudged across the property line, sweating profusely but his face a lighter shade of red. It was confession time. He said he'd seen the TV ad again recently, finally realizing that the "big end" goes on top. Thus, with a simple "flip-flop," all

He could easily have foregone telling me, but this is not his nature. Somehow, I felt an inner peace, realizing that this neighbor who does virtually everything correctly is human after all.

Had his five-year-old granddaughter, Olivia, been watching, she would have told him about upside down....

His humility induced "instant sheepishness." A recently-diagnosed sleep apnea patient, I admitted that for several nights, I had bungled placement of my "nose pillow mask." I didn't realize that the small nasal "pillows" are designed to fit nostril contours, with a 50/50 chance for improper attachment to the headgear.

Sadly, I erred. Frustrated, I even tried sleeping with my head at the foot of the bed, but this didn't help. Re-reading the instructions, I was struck by the boldface reminder to attach the nostril "thingie" correctly. My luck fell on the down side of 50/50.

If confession is indeed good for the soul, mine may be a notch higher with this admission....

Referencing the "Gulf of America" designation earlier, it occurred that "people-watching" goes on regularly during my Uncle Mort's general store domino games. He told me of his foursome's "jawing" about the verbal sparring between President Trump and Leon Musk. I corrected his saying "Leon" instead

He answered, "You're plumb wrong. Elon ain't no name; it's a typo. No doubt his name is Leon Musk."

I stand corrected....

Dr. Newbury, a longtime speaker, may be contacted at 817-447-3872 or newbury@speakerdoc.com. At website www. speakerdoc.com, he reads his columns aloud, sometimes without stumbling.



## Why Texas' \$338B budget matters to you

By Rahul Sreenivasan

Within the next two years, teachers statewide are in line to get a pay raise and a significant expansion in merit-based compensation for both teachers and principals. Wildfire response crews may be outfitted with the equipment they need ahead to protect their communities. A Texas town could be closer to a plan to prevent a catastrophic disruption in their water service. None of these may make headlines, but all of them are on the way to happening because of decisions made in the budget just passed by the Texas

The 2026–27 state budget, totaling \$338 billion, is more than just 1,000 pages. It's a reflection of what Texas values and what it's preparing for over the next two years.

With more than 1,500 new residents arriving every day, lawmakers faced a challenge familiar to many Texans: how to grow without losing what makes this place work. The result is a budget that balances long-term investments with fiscal responsibility. That includes new funds for teacher pay raises, water infrastructure, wildfire preparedness, plugging abandoned oil and gas wells, and a

SOMETHING

WE SAID?

great deal more.

Whether you live in Lufkin or Laredo, Pampa or Port Isabel, the state budget shows up in ways you might not notice at first. It's in the resources your local school district receives, or the training available at your nearby community college.

As someone who spends a lot of time testifying before legislative committees and reading line items most people will never see, I'll tell you what stood out this session: Lawmakers didn't just focus on today's needs. They planned ahead.

They set aside funds for the creation of Texas Cyber Command to keep our state's IT systems and publicly held data secure in a fast-changing digital world. They approved investments in space exploration and advanced nuclear energy. And they made meaningful investments in higher education, including full funding for community college finance reform and support for careerready programs that prepare students for good-paying jobs right out of high

And water, a lifeline in every Texas

community, was one of the biggest winners. Lawmakers approved \$1.7 billion in new funds, with the possibility of an additional \$1 billion a year for 20 years transform aging and deteriorating water systems across the state and ensure we have the water supply needed in our drought prone state.

At Texas 2036, we supported responsible, strategic, forward-looking investments this session, given the healthy revenue outlook. The final budget reflects that kind of thinking smart spending today that builds a stronger Texas tomorrow.

fied the budget. Now, as the Governor reviews the budget and voters weigh in on related proposals on the ballot this fall, Texans have a continued role to play. Budgets aren't just about numbers, they're about priorities. And the more Texans pay attention and engage, the better these priorities will reflect the future we all want to build. Rahul Sreenivasan is Director of **Government Performance & Fiscal Policy at** 

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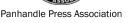


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if voters approve a proposed constitutional amendment this fall. That could

The Texas Comptroller has certi-

Texas 2036.



## Congress must act to save USPS

By Martha Diaz Aszkenazy

The United States Postal Service is on the brink of a self-induced collapse. The failed policies of the Delivering for America Plan have driven away customers through a combination of sky-high rate increases and degraded service. David Steiner, who will take over as Postmaster General on July 14, 2025, has a tough job to do and little time to do it with some estimates indicating the USPS could be insolvent as soon as 2028.

Congress has a key role to play in helping him right the ship but must get off the sidelines and act. A useful step occurred earlier this week with a hearing before the House Oversight Subcommittee on Government Operations. The National Newspaper Association (NNA) provided a statement for the hearing that lays out key actions Congress can take to help restore the USPS.

We emphasized that NNA members serve their communities, providing news on local events and civic matters that

are not covered anywhere else, and that they depend on the USPS to get their papers to subscribers. The USPS — and by extension the small businesses in the communities they serve — faces an immediate and existential crisis. We urge Congress to act swiftly and compel meaningful reform at the USPS.

Here are three actions Congress can take right now to get the USPS back on track and keep commerce in America

Demand the USPS Board halt the Delivering for America Plan including the large rate increase planned for July 13, 2025. This increase, far above the rate of inflation will only deepen the hole and ties the hands of incoming Postmaster General David Steiner, who should have the opportunity to assess the situation. The same holds true for the network consolidations and service cuts. Every customer that is lost through these increases and service reductions is one

less Steiner can rely on in the future. Modernize and empower the USPS regulator. Effective checks and balances are needed to keep the USPS on track. Congress needs to update and modernize the postal regulatory process to better safeguard against excessive rates and poor service by passing H.R. 3004, The USPS SERVES US Act.

Measure newspaper costs accurately. Congress should compel accurate measurement of newspaper service and hold the USPS accountable for maintaining and improving service quality by enacting H.R. 2098/S.1002, the Deliver for Democracy Act

These are all commonsense steps Congress can take to address what has been clearly a failed approach by USPS management. Steiner has a huge job ahead of him and will need all the help

sure the nation's next Postmaster General is not the last one. Martha Diaz Aszkenazy is Chair of the National Newspaper Association and

publisher of The San Fernando Valley (California) Sun/El Sol Newspapers,

Congress must act now to make

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Mulkey Theatre • The Last Rodeo • 2:00 p.m.

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#### August 2 & 3

Jack & Jill Scramble Clarendon Country Club. Call 806-874-2166.



## **Menus**

#### **June 30 - July 4 Donley County Senior Citizens**

Mon: Beef stroganoff, black eyed peas, spinach, whole wheat roll, strawberry shortcake, tea/2% milk.

Tues: Soft tacos/tortilla/cheese, Spanish rice, ranch style beans, garden salad, sopapilla cake, iced tea/2% milk.

Wed: Chicken strips/gravy, macaroni & cheese, baked beans, whole wheat roll, coconut cake, iced tea/2% milk.

Thurs: Salisbury steak/gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole wheat roll, banana pudding, iced tea/2% milk.

Fri: Pulled pork sandwich, hoagie roll, French fries, coleslaw, cantaloupe, iced tea/2% milk.

#### **Hedley Senior Citizens**

Mon: Ham & beans, roasted sweet potatoes, cucumber & onion salad, cornbread, sliced pears, iced tea/2% milk.

Tues: Sweet &sour chicken, egg rolls, long grain rice, stir fry Asian veggies, whole wheat roll, chocolate pudding iced tea/2% milk. Wed: Chicken fried steak, country gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans w/ bacon & onion, whole wheat buttermilk biscuit, banana pudding, iced tea/2%

Thurs: Bacon cheeseburger on whole wheat bun, onion rings or tater tots, chef's choice dessert. fruit, iced tea/2% milk. Fri: Closed



The Clarendon Lions Club held its regular Tuesday noon meeting June 24, 2025, with Boss Lion Richard Green in command.

We had eleven Lions present and one guest, Matthew Newhouse, guest of Lion Anndria Newhouse.

Boss Lion Green reminded everyone of Bag Bingo and for those who would like to donate a bag if they could let Lion Anndria know so they can post online.

The Club discussed and elected officers for 2025-2026. Those new officers will be installed next week. They are President Brian Barboza, First Vice President Chanel Silva, Second Vice President Eric Gehmen, Third Vice President Mary Green, Secretary/Treasurer Roger Estlack, Tail Twister / Membership Chair Landon Lambert, Communications / 5K Chair Ashlee Estlack, Service Chair Anndria Newhouse, Lion Tamer Machiel Covey, and Song Leader Larry Capranica.

Lion Anndria advised everyone to check in on each other and let the club know we miss seeing the pride of Lions attending the meetings.

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

#### Shop at Home Support the merchants who support your community.

### **Abbott signs water investment bill in Lubbock**

signed Senate Bill 7 and House Joint these efforts in the House, as well Resolution 7 into law to deliver the as Lieutenant Governor Patrick and largest generational investment in Senator Perry for the thoughtful col-Texas' water infrastructure during a laboration that allowed us to deliver bill signing ceremony at SIMFLO.

all Texas," said Governor Abbott. secure water future." "In my State of the State Address, make the largest investment in water in Texas history. This law written by Chairman Perry and Chairman Harris does just that, providing a \$20 billion generational investment the repairing of existing infrastruccome."

The Governor was joined by Speaker Dustin Burrows, Chair-Bonnen, Representative Carl Tepper, SIMFLO CEO Troy Pickering, and other state and local officials and business leaders.

job creation across our state. I want sources for generations to come."

Governor Greg Abbott today to thank Chairman Harris for leading to Governor Abbott and Texas voters

"Senate Bill 7 is a generational I called on the Texas legislature to investment in securing Texas' water future," said Chairman Perry, "This legislation ensures our children and grandchildren have access to the water supply needed to keep our communities strong and our econfor both new water supply and for omy thriving. I'm grateful for the steadfast leadership of Governor initiative a reality."

"The perpetuation of Texas' man Charles Perry, Chairman economic miracle depends on the Cody Harris, Representative Greg reliability of our water infrastructure," said Chairman Harris. "This includes expanding our water supply portfolio and fixing our aging, water and wastewater systems. Texas is "This session, lawmakers knew growing fast, and our water supply we had to be proactive in delivering a isn't keeping up. Senate Bill 7 and significant investment to help Texas HJR 7 are Texas-sized investments meet its current and future water that puts us on a path to strengthen needs," said Speaker Burrows. "This the state's water system and, in Texans' access to water, it will supgrowth and attract new investments port continued economic growth and to water infrastructure and new water

Speaking to a crowd of over 150 water industry workers and supporters. Governor Abbott touted the Texas-sized water investment and how it will help address the needs of Texans and communities in every "Water is a critical need for a long-term strategy for a more corner of the state. The Governor noted that the laws he signed today will take monumental steps to repair outdated water infrastructure and tap into new water sources. Additionally, Governor Abbott highlighted Texans' daily water needs and how the steps taken today will ensure Texas remains the best state to live, work, and raise a family.

Senate Bill 7 (Perry/Harris) ture. With this law, we will secure Abbott, Lieutenant Governor Pat- assigns the Texas Water Develop-Texas water future for generations to rick, Speaker Burrows, and Chair- ment Board with the responsibility man Harris in making this historic to coordinate water supply conveyance, expands the uses of the New Water Supply for Texas Fund, and dedicates funding in House Joint Resolution 7 to finance water supply and infrastructure projects.

House Joint Resolution 7 (Harris/Perry) is a constitutional amendment to dedicate a portion (\$1 billion annually) of the state's sales and use taxes to the Texas Water Fund and allows the allocation and use of the revenue.

In his 2025 State of the State legislation will not only help secure turn, create jobs, support population Address, Governor Abbott declared a Texas-size investment in water infrastructure an emergency item this legislative session.

#### Panhandle Veterans Expo to be held Saturday The Panhandle Veterans Expo U.S. Marine Corps Vietnam veteran cation benefits; Find employment;

and West Texas A&M on Saturday, recently separated, retired, or your veterans; and more. June 28, 2025, in Canyon.

learn about the local, state and VA munity-based partners are located benefits and services available to across the state to bring services to VA disability compensation claims of life. We hope to see you there." on-the-spot. Additionally, attendees for veterans attending the event.

members have earned benefits resource fair. which they can connect with at our 28," said TVC Commissioner and claims and healthcare; With edu- bfpEGK.

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a disaster. The Texas Department of

Insurance offers these tips to prepare

phone. Turn on notifications or

check it before bad weather to know

the stuff in your house. Email it to

yourself or keep it online. Include item model and serial numbers. Take

photos or videos of each room in

your house, including closets and

drawers. When you need to file a

claim, the list and photos will help. Pack a "go kit" of supplies you

can take with you if you need to

supplies. Have copies of your home,

ance. Most home insurance policies

don't cover flood damage; you'll

need a separate flood policy. Flood

policies often have a 30-day waiting

policies are up to date and provide

enough coverage. Your coverage

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Make a list or inventory of

tips for a disaster

yourself in just five easy ways.

what's heading your way.

transition occurred prior to 9-11, the

Representatives from TVC, may enjoy food, games and camara- VLB, VA Amarillo, Combined derie. Bell Flight is sponsoring lunch Arms, the Military Veteran Peer Network, the VA and other local veteran

will be hosted by TVC, VLB, TVN, Mike Hernandez. "Whether you are Start a business; Connect with other

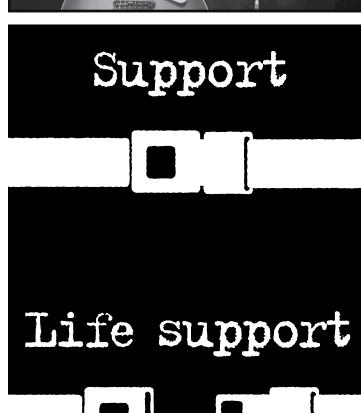
VLB will share information Veterans and their families can TVC, VLB and our non-profit, com- about benefits it offers including: Land, home, and home improvement loan programs; Texas State Veterans them. TVC will help veterans file veterans which improve their quality Homes; and Texas State Veterans Cemeteries.

The Panhandle Veterans Expo in Canyon will be held at the First United Bank Center, 3301 4th Ave.

This free event is open to vet-"Veterans and their family service organizations will be at the erans, active duty military and their families well as the general public. TVC assists veterans, their Those wishing to attend may sign event in Canyon on Saturday, June families, & survivors: Navigate VA up in advance at https://qrco.de/

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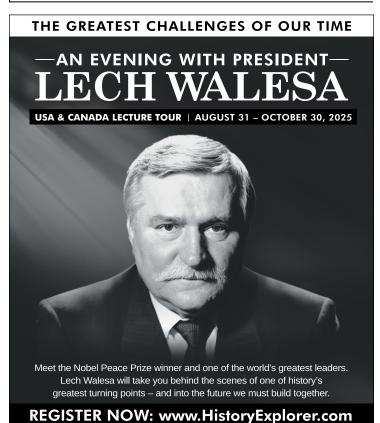
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## **Obituaries**

#### **Allee**

Douglas "Doug" Wayne Allee passed away on Tuesday, June 10, 2025, in Lub-

bock at the age of 84. Memorial will be 2:00 p.m. on Friday,

services at June 27, 2025, at

Robertson Saints Roost Chapel in Clarendon with Lowell Hall offici-

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

Doug was born on October 25, 1940, in Borger, Texas, to Jimmie and Mary Agnes Allee. He grew up in Clarendon, where he attended school, and at the age of 17, he enlisted in the United States Navy. During his time in the Navy, he learned the trade of heating and air conditioning, which led to a long career with York Heating and Air, working across Virginia, Florida, and Texas.

When he retired his hobbies were: fishing, golf, hunting, dominoes, pool, and restoring old cars.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a son, David.

He is survived by his two children, Jimmy Allee, and Donnie Allee and wife Brenda; cousin, Mattie and husband Larry Norton; other relatives; two granddaughters; and several friends.

#### **Finchum**

Sandra Finchum, 78, of Amarillo, passed away on Friday, June

20, 2025. Celebration of Life Services will be 10:00 Friday, a.m. 27, June 2025, at Hillside Christian Church, 6100 S. Soncy Rd. with Pastor Greg Corona

officiating.



Sandra was born April 27, 1947, in Amarillo to Thomas and Loyce Moffitt. She grew up in Clarendon and Hedley, marrying her high school sweetheart, Jerry Finchum, on July 3, 1964, in Hedley, at the age of 17. The couple celebrated 60 years of marriage last July. Together, they raised their son, Terry, in Amarillo.

Sandra started out as a hairdresser before going to work for Paramount Terrace Christian Church in the office. The church later became Hillside Christian Church, and Sandra was employed with them for 32 years, retiring in 2017. She and Jerry were active members there as well.

friends that she enjoyed spending time with. Among other fun things, the group frequented the Amarillo Little Theatre for shows and events. Sandra was a talker by nature and on the phone. Sandra and Jerry loved travelling in their RV to the mountains in Colorado and New Mexico. requests that memorial donations be Sandra will be dearly missed by her family, friends and church family.

She was preceded in death by

She is survived by her husband, Jerry Finchum; her son, Terry Finchum and wife Lynette of Amarillo; her brother, Dickey Moffitt and wife Molly of Memphis, Texas; two grandchildren, Tyler Finchum and wife Alex of Palo Alto, CA, and Ashley Baker and husband Colton of Orange, Texas; and two great-grandchildren, Everett and Tatum.

#### **Bumgardner**

Phyllis Darlene Bumgardner, are 66, of Clarendon passed away on Thursday, June 19, 2025, in Ama-

A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Cremation and arrangements under the direction Robert-Funeral Directors of Clarendon.



Phyllis was born on November 5, 1958, in Bonham, Texas, to Dan Lee and Doris Lee Yandell Jones. She spent much of her life working as a waitress, where her hardworking spirit and kind heart were evident to all who knew her.

Phyllis had a deep love for the outdoors—camping and fishing were always a hit. among her favorite pastimes. She also had a lifelong passion for animals and was a strong advocate for animal rescue. Faith and family were at the center of her life, and she was known for her unwavering love for God and the people closest to her.

She enjoyed watching wrestling, cooking shows, and "Say Yes to the Dress," finding joy in both the everyday and the extraordinary moments of life.

her parents; her brother, Jimmy Ray Clarendon; her sons, Jay Lindley Jones; her sister, Teressa Ann Haw- and wife Shirley of Dimmitt, and thorne and brother-in-law, Jeff Haw- Ray Lindley and wife Sharon of thorne; and two great-grandchildren, Amarillo; her five grandchildren, Dustin Lee Jackson and Wyatt James Larissa Lindley, Trent Lindley and Sells.

She is lovingly remembered by her children: son, Brandon Jackson and wife Eva of Clarendon; daughters, Christal Burns and husband Jason of Sayre, Oklahoma, and Yolanda Kay Sells and special friend Jerry Lucero of Clarendon. She was a proud grandmother to eight grandchildren: Shelby and wife Candace, Jesse and wife Trinity, Nathan teer Fire Department.

Sandra had several close and wife Katie, Jheri and husband Dylan, Colt, Johnathon, Chey, and Dakota. She also leaves behind nine great-grandchildren, with one more on the way; and her adopted sons. Edward Harris and Richard Holt: she enjoyed chatting with her friends and an adopted grandson, Dominicc

In lieu of flowers, the family made to the American Lung Association or the American Heart Association in Phyllis's honor.

#### Lindley

Wilma Faye Lindley, 82, of Clarendon passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 19, 2025, in her hometown of Clarendon.

Graveside services were held on

Monday, June 2025, Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon. Arrangements under direction Robert-Funeral Directors of Clarendon,

Texas.



Wilma was born on November 10, 1942, in Clarendon to C.L. and Mary Slater Mann. A lifelong resident of Clarendon, she married the love of her life, Harold Ray Lindley, on June 2, 1961. Together, they shared 64 wonderful years of mar-

Wilma dedicated 22 years of service to her community as the Tax Assessor Collector for Donley County. Known for her warmth and creativity, she enjoyed reading, quilting, crocheting, and crafting beautiful bedspreads and afghans. Her kitchen was a favorite gathering place for family and friends, where her legendary "granny burgers" were

Above all, Wilma cherished her roles as a devoted wife, loving mother, proud grandmother, and joyful great-grandmother. Her family was her heart, and her legacy of love and kindness will live on through them.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brothers, Chester Mann and Milton Mann; and her sister, Mary Lucille Williams.

She is survived by her beloved She was preceded in death by husband, Harold Lindley of wife Megan, Bryan Landes and wife Michele, Brittany Lindley, and Wesley Lindley; three great-grandchildren, Kamryn, Caitlyn, and Tanner; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and extended family.

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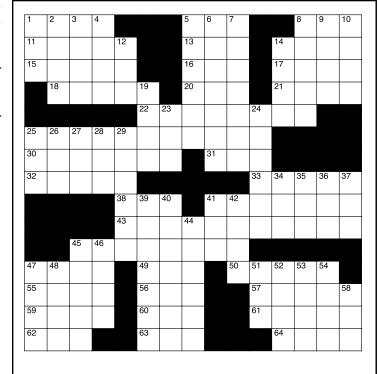
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The National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association board of directors voted to divide the Southwest Region during the College National Finals Rodeo. The newly-formed Caprock Region's faculty director, Justin Jenkins is pictured with NIRA Commissioner, Jim Dewey Brown, and C.J. Aragon who was the Southwest Region faculty director. Aragon will continue on the board of directors as the faculty director for the new Lone Star Region.

## **Growth of College Rodeo Leads to Reorganization**

rodeo region after growth in the more student-athletes opportunities. Southwest Region.

For the past four years, membership numbers in the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association State University, is currently the (NIRA) have seen steady growth.

profit organization in 1949 and Lone Star Region. Howard College's defined three geographical regions Justin Jenkins will be the new facto govern a student-led board. By ulty director for the Caprock Region. 10 regions. For over 30 years now, each region's first college rodeo in the members have competed in 11 regions.

members. That number has grown to 3,815 with over 800 of those members competing in the Southwest National Finals will also follow the Region which has included schools in the western part of Texas and east- past with the top three in each event ern New Mexico.

from the member schools in that with the most points. It is expected region made a proposal that was approved by the NIRA Board of nization will add approximately 35 Directors during the CNFR to split more athletes to CNFR to compete into two regions.

the Lone Star Region will consist of Region which includes east Texas Texas schools, Angelo State Univer- and Louisiana. sity; Cisco College, Ranger College; Sul Ross State University (Alpine); of college rodeo and rodeo across the Tarleton State University (Stephen- board," Aragon said. "It will espeville); Vernon College; and Weather- cially help new recruits and encourford College.

The newly formed Caprock Region will include Eastern New Mexico University (Portales); College (Big Spring, Texas); New Plains College (Levelland, Texas); Texas Tech University (Lubbock); (Canyon); and Western Texas College (Snyder).

commissioner. "We're excited to see for college rodeo."

Clarendon College is in a new the growth in college rodeo and give sport prompted NIRA officials to the As a board, we felt that this made sense and we will see continued

C.J. Aragon, coach at Sul Ross Southwest Regional faculty direc-The NIRA started as a non- tor. He will be the director of the 1972 the organization had grown to Student directors will be elected at

For the 2025-2026 season, each In 2022, there were 3,493 of the NIRA's 12 regions will have 10 rodeos just as they have in the past. Qualifications for the College same structure as they have in the at the end of the season as well as Coaches and representatives the two men's and women's teams that the reorganization of the orgafor national championships. The Starting with the fall rodeos, changes will not impact the Southern

"This is exciting for the growth age colleges and universities in these areas to think about having a rodeo

The two new regions may Clarendon College; Frank Phillips accept new colleges and universities College (Borger, Texas); Howard within their geographic region that don't have a current rodeo team. The Mexico Junior College (Hobbs); current schools designated for the Odessa (Texas) College; South two new regions will not change for five years.

"We worked really hard to West Texas A&M University make the best decisions for everyone involved," said Jacob Walters, the current Southwest Region stu-"The Southwest Region has dent director and the NIRA student long been one of the toughest president. "We did our best to conregions in the NIRA," said Jim sider every scenario when we were Dewey Brown, the organization's making plans. It's an exciting time

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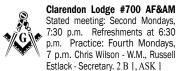
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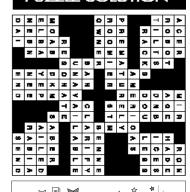
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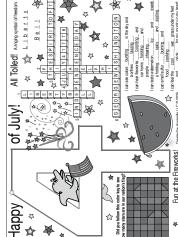
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A Bid Bond in the amount of 5% of the bid, issued by an acceptable surety, shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to City of Clarendon, Texas or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (at par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Commerce and contained in the Contract Documents must be paid on the project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

Attention is called to General Condition 140. "Restrictions on Public Buildings and Public Works Projects". The Bidder certifies by the submission of its bid that it:

1. Is not a Contractor of a foreign country included on the USTR list.

2. Has not and will not enter into any subcontract with a subcontractor of a foreign country included on the USTR list.

3. Will not provide any product of a foreign country included on the USTR list.

City of Clarendon. Texas reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by City of Clarendon for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidders' qualifications prior to awarding of the

BID MUST BE RETURNED IN ORIGINAL BID DOCUMENT FORMAT City of Clarendon

Jacob Fangman, Mayor

NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFI-CANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS - COMBINED

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

City of Clarendon 313 Sully St. Clarendon, Texas 79226

(806) 874-3438 REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about 7/12/2025 the City of Clarendon will submit a request to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the release of Community Development Block Grant Program funds under Section 104 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project known as Lift station Installment on the southeast corner of Sully Street and Martindale Street, CDV23-0235 for purposes of installation of one (1) new lift station, fencing, electrical and other associated appurtenances, associated administration and/or engineering activities. for an estimated cost of \$500,000.00 in HUD funds and \$25,000.00 in non-HUD funds. The project is located as follows: the work will be located at the northwest corner of Sully Street and Martindale Street and serves the Northeast residents in the City of Clarendon.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT The City of Clarendon has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) that documents the environmental determinations for this project will be on file at 313 Sully St, Clarendon TX, 79226 and may be examined or copied weekdays at Monday Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to Brian Barboza at b.barboza@cityofclarendontx.com. All comments received by 7/11/2025 will be considered by the City of Clarendon prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice

they are addressing. ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The City of Clarendon certifies to the State of Texas that Brian Barboza in his capacity as City Administrator consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The State's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Clarendon to use Program funds. **OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS** 

The State will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Clarendon's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Clarendon (b) the City of Clarendon has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the State; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to Texas Department of Agriculture at CDBG\_EnvReview@TexasAgriculture.gov or PO Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. Potential objectors should contact the State to verify the actual last day of the objection period. Brian Barboza, City Administrator

AVISO DE DETERMINACIÓN DE NO IMPACTO

AVISO DE INTENCIÓN DE SOLICITAR LA LIB-

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ERACIÓN DE FONDOS - AVISO COMBINADO** 6/26/2025

SOLICITUD DE LIBERACIÓN DE FONDOS

Ciudad de Clarendon 313 Sully St.

Clarendon, Texas 79226 (806) 874-3438

El 12/07/2025 o alrededor de esa fecha, la ciudad de Clarendon presentará una solicitud al Departamento de Agricultura de Texas para la liberación de fondos del Programa de Subvenciones en Bloque para el Desarrollo Comunitario baio la Sección 104 del Título I de la Ley de Vivienda y Desarrollo Comunitario de 1974, según enmendada, para llevar a cabo un proyecto conocido como Instalación de la estación de bombeo en la esquina sureste de Sully Street v Martindale Street, CDV23-0235 con el fin de instalar una (1) nueva estación de bombeo, cercas, sistemas eléctricos y

otros. accesorios asociados, administración asociada y/o actividades de ingeniería, por un costo estimado de \$500,000.00 en fondos de HUD y \$25,000.00 en fondos que no son de HUD. El proyecto está ubicado de la siguiente manera: la obra estará ubicada en la esquina noroeste de Sully Street y Martindale Street y atiende a los residentes del noreste de la

ciudad de Clarendon. DETERMINACIÓN DE NO IMPACTO SIGNIFICA-

La ciudad de Clarendon ha determinado que el provecto no tendrá un impacto significativo en el medio ambiente humano. Por lo tanto, no se requiere una Declaración de Impacto Ambiental según la Ley de Política Ambiental Nacional de 1969 (NEPA). Información adicional del provecto está contenida en el Registro de Revisión Ambiental (ERR) que documenta las determinaciones ambientales para este proyecto, estará archivado en 313 Sully St, Clarendon TX, 79226 y puede examinarse o copiarse de lunes a viernes de 8:00 am a 5:00 pm.

COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS

Cualquier individuo, grupo o agencia puede enviar comentarios por escrito sobre la ERR al Brian Barboza en b.barboza@cityofclarendontx.com. Todos los comentarios recibidos antes del 11/07/2025 serán considerados por la ciudad de Dalhart antes de autorizar la presentación de una solicitud de liberación de fondos. Los comentarios deben especificar a qué Aviso se dirigen

CERTIFICACIÓN AMBIENTAL

La Ciudad de Clarendon certifica al Estado de Texas que Brian Barboza en su calidad de Administrador de la Ciudad consiente en aceptar la iurisdicción de los Tribunales Federales si se inicia una acción para hacer cumplir las responsabilidades en relación con el proceso de revisión ambiental y que estas responsabilidades han sido satisfechas. La aprobación de la certificación por parte del Estado satisface sus responsabilidades según la NEPA y las leyes y autoridades relacionadas y permite a la Ciudad de Clarendon utilizar los fondos del OBJECIONES A LA LIBERACIÓN DE FONDOS

El Estado aceptará objeciones a la liberación de fondos y a la certificación de la Ciudad de Clarendon por un período de quince días después de la fecha de presentación anticipada o de la recepción real de la solicitud (lo que ocurra más tarde) solo si se basan en una de las siguientes bases: (a) la certificación no fue ejecutada por el Oficial Certificador de la Ciudad de Clarendon (b) la Ciudad de Clarendon ha omitido un paso o no ha tomado una decisión o hallazgo requerido por las regulaciones de HUD en 24 CFR parte 58; (c) el beneficiario de la subvención u otros participantes en el proceso de desarrollo han comprometido fondos, incurrido en costos o realizado actividades no autorizadas por 24 CFR Parte 58 antes de la aprobación de una liberación de fondos por parte del Estado; o (d) otra agencia federal que actúa de conformidad con 40 CFR Parte 1504 ha presentado una conclusión por escrito de que el provecto es insatisfactorio desde el punto de vista de la calidad ambiental. Las objeciones deben

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prepararse y presentarse de acuerdo con los procedimientos requeridos (24 CFR Parte 58, Sec. 58.76) v deben dirigirse al Departamento de Agricultura de Texas en CDBG\_EnvReview@ TexasAgriculture.gov o PO Box 12847, Austin, Texas 78711. Los posibles objetores deben contactar al Estado para verificar el último día real del período de objeción.

Brian Barboza, administrador de la ciudad

CLARENDON ISD SCHOOL BOARD ADOPTION NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING ON THE ADOP-TION OF THE DONLEY COUNTY MULTI-JURIS-DICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

The Clarendon ISD Board of Trustees will conduct a public meeting before considering final adoption of the recently completed 2025 Donley County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update on July 7, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Administration and Technology Building located at 416 S. Allen St. Clarendon, Texas. This plan includes mitigation actions intended to minimize the impacts of certain natural hazards on the residents of the County.

The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, as amended, requires that local governments develop, adopt, and update natural hazard mitigation plans in order to receive certain federal assistance. A Mitigation Action Team (MAT) comprised of representatives from Donley County, City of Clarendon, City of Hedley, City of Howardwick, Clarendon ISD, Hedley ISD, and Clarendon College, was convened to assess the risks from and vulnerabilities to natural hazards that are endemic

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

to the Donley County area, and to make recommendations on mitigating the effects of such hazards. The former hazard mitigation plan was adopted in 2019, and should be updated with FEMA at least every five (5) years.

now available for review in the County Judge's office, City Halls, School Administration Buildings, or it may be reviewed online at: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1

A copy of the Donley County plan update is

ziDOcNUqcG59sjXpVGBxSaKsL2bPxaPO?usp =sharing The meeting is open to the public and mem-

bers of the community are encouraged to attend to offer feedback and comment.

#### **HELP WANTED**

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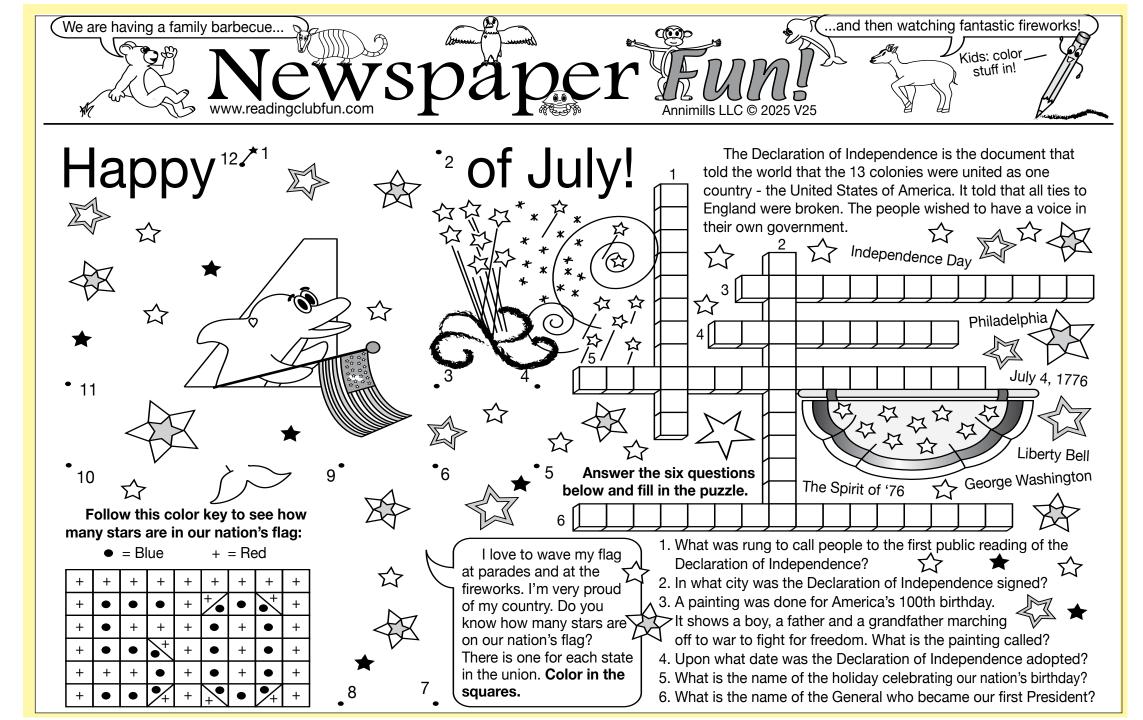
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#### New sidewalks coming along

Work continues on the Downtown Revitalization Project in the 200 block of Kearney Street. Workers were pouring concrete in front of the Crossties Ministries building Monday morning and construction was moving along at a good pace.

## Tick talk: How to spot, avoid and remove ticks in Texas

As temperatures rise and help spot ticks. Texans spend more time outdoors, the state. It's important to know how brush. to spot, avoid and remove ticks in Texas, whether you're hiking, camping, ranching or gardening.

Pete Teel, Ph.D., Texas A&M AgriLife Research entomologist and Regents Professor in the Texas A&M College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Department of Entomology, shares how to stay safe from ticks this season and why proper removal matters.

"There are two common ticks Gulf Coast tick," Teel said.

Lone Star ticks are most active ones," Teel said. in late spring and throughout the species is active year-round, especially in South Texas. Thus, these under the arms. tick species are most active when outdoor activities are at their highest.

human biting tick for Texas is the douse with chemicals because this Lone Star tick, which gets its name may cause the tick to spit pathogens from a single iridescent spot on the into the bite, causing a tick-borne illback of the adult female," Teel said.

This tick has a wide host range, including many wildlife species and lowing these steps: humans.

ticks when you enter their natural habitats," Teel said. "This includes hiking, camping, trail riding or even even pressure. ranching."

finding their next host. "They can whole tick. detect heat, carbon dioxide, shadows and vibrations," Teel said.

The six-legged larvae, which can red spots that are so small they go unnoticed.

Nymphs and adults are eightdisease-causing pathogens if they erly remove them." are not removed.

prevention steps to spot, avoid and across the U.S., visit the Centers for remove ticks:

Wear light colored clothing to page about where ticks live.

Tuck pants into boots or socks the risk of tick bites increases across when walking through tall grass or

> Consider using masking tape barriers made by folding tape lengthwise and wrapping around your tucked pant legs with the sticky side facing out to trap ticks as they crawl. Apply EPA-approved

repellent. Conduct inspections

attached ticks.

Properly remove attached ticks and hold them for observation.

"Always perform a tick check in Texas: the Lone Star tick and the after outside activities. This can be for humans and your furry loved

He explained a proper tick summer. However, the Gulf Coast check inspection includes behind the ears, on the scalp, the waistline and

How to safely remove a tick

"When removing a tick, it is "Perhaps the most iconic important to not twist, jerk, burn or ness," Teel said.

Instead, he recommended fol-

Use fine-tipped tweezers or a "You'll most often encounter tick-removal tool to grasp the tick as close to the skin as possible.

Pull straight out with steady,

Clean the area with an alcohol Ticks are surprisingly good at swab or antiseptic after removing the

Teel said once the tick is removed, consider placing it in a The first stage after being closed bottle or bag and saving it. hatched from eggs is the larval stage. Ticks removed from Texas citizens can be submitted for identification swarm in big groups, may leave tiny and for tick-borne pathogen testing for free of charge to the Texas Department of State Health Services.

"Awareness and prompt action legged and slightly larger than go a long way in preventing a ticklarvae, making these stages easier borne illness," Teel said. "Know to see. However, they still transmit how to avoid ticks and how to prop-

To learn more and see maps of Teel recommends the following where tick species live in Texas and Disease Control and Prevention's

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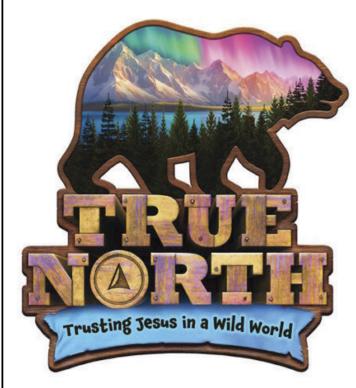
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